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## Descriptive List of Obsolete Paper Money.

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### PART I—Embracing the Circulating Notes Issued by State Banks, Private Banks, Bankers and Corporations.

Abbreviations | R.—Right end illustration.  
| C.—Central illustration on note.  
| L.—Left end illustration.

(The publication of this list was begun June, 1922.)

### NEW HAMPSHIRE (Continued).

#### LEBANON.

##### Bank of Lebanon.

Chartered in 1828. Opened for business Oct. 5, 1829, Dr. Phineas Parkhurst, first president. The bank had \$94,780 in paper money in circulation in 1847. Was changed to the National Bank of Lebanon, No. 808, in 1865.

- 252. \$1. C., female seated on a plow, with sheaf, sickle, etc., portrait of Washington at right, portrait of Franklin at left. R., portrait of a girl, 1 above. L., State arms, 1 above, ONE below.
- 253. \$2. C., female portrait. R., cattle, pigs, etc., 2 above. L., female seated holding sickle and staff, sheaf, harrow, etc., TWO below.
- 254. \$2. Perkins plate. Similar to No. 69, except name of bank and location. March 4, 1841.
- 255. \$5. C., train of cars, V each side. R., female portrait, 5 above. L., farmer sharpening scythe, FIVE below.
- 256. \$10. C., female seated between 1 and 0 holding key and cornucopia. R., two females standing with sickle and wand, 10 above. L., blacksmith standing at an anvil, TEN below.
- 257. \$20. C., female seated between 2 and 0 holding a rake. R., female seated with cornucopia, 20 above and below. L., a female standing with a spear, 20 above.
- 258. \$20. C., boy, child, cattle, etc., TWENTY in red each side. R., female with flowers, 20 above. L., female with tablet, child at her feet, 20 above.
- 259. \$50. C., female each side of an anvil, factories in distance. R., girl, 50 above. L., boy, 50 above.
- 260. \$50. C., man and woman seated with rake, hammer and horn of plenty. R., cherub steering a sailboat, 50 above and below. L., female with a helmet holding a spear and a shield, 50 above.
- 261. \$100. C., spread eagle on the limb of a tree, cars and canal boats. R., female seated holding rake, 100 above. L., Vulcan seated with hammer, anvil, etc., 100 above.
- 262. \$100. C., female seated, sheep, etc., 100 below. R., boy's head, 100 above. L., two children, C below.

#### MANCHESTER.

Amoskeag Bank (Chartered and opened in 1848. Changed to the Amoskeag National Bank in 1864. No. 574).



263. \$1. C., an Indian seated, shield, eagle, deer and mountains. R., portrait of R. H. Ayer, 1 above. L., female standing, ONE above.
264. \$2. C., State arms between two females, cars, steamboat and merchandise. R., two females standing, 2 above. L., portrait of R. H. Ayer, 2 above.
265. \$3. C., three females seated. R., figure 3 held by a farmer, a sailor and a mechanic, 3 above. L., male portrait, 3 above.
266. \$5. C., a female holding a spear and pointing toward a steamship. R., five females around a figure 5, 5 above. L., portrait of R. H. Ayer, 5 above.
267. \$10. C., female reclining, safe, merchandise, engine, shipping, etc. R., portrait of Pierce, 10 above. L., female seated holding a sword and scales, 10 below.
268. \$20. C., harvest scene, bridge, cars, village and church. R., portrait of Pierce, 20 above. L., Mercury seated supporting figures 2 and 0, 20 above.
269. \$50. C., female seated, a dog and cattle. R., portrait of Pierce, 50 above. L., male portrait, 50 below.
270. \$100. C., a female seated holding a wand, cupids sporting with a dolphin in the sea. R., portrait of Pierce, 100 above. L., male portrait, 100 above.
271. \$500. C., 500, 500 below. R., figure of Justice holding scales, 500 above. L., Indian paddling a canoe up a river, mountains and trees, 500 below.

**Amoskeag Savings Bank** (Opened in 1852).

**City Bank**

(Opened in 1853. Changed to City National Bank in 1865. The City National Bank was absorbed by the Merchants National Bank, No. 1520, in 1879.)

272. \$1. R., ONE on a strip of lathework, 1 above. L., train of cars, trees and factories; ship on the stocks above, 1 above.
273. \$2. C., three men forging iron, 2 at left. R., 2 on two strips of lathework; TWO above. L., Goddess of Liberty, pole, cap, shield and eagle.
274. \$3. C., mechanic seated, anvil, factories, bridge and cars. R., 3 on three strips of lathework, 3 above. L., female seated at base of a pillar, shield and wheel, 3 above.
275. \$5. C., half-length of farmer, sailor and mechanic. R., 5 on five strips of lathework, 5 above. L., half-length of female, FIVE above.
276. \$10. C., X on a die. R., Indian family on a cliff overlooking a city, 10 above. L., TEN on a strip of lathework, portrait of General Stark above.
277. \$20. C., three females in clouds, center one kneeling. R., portrait of Pierce, 20 above. L., 20 on two strips of lathework.
278. \$50. C., portrait of Franklin. R., two females seated, farmer, dog, oxen and sheaves, 50 above. L., 50 on three strips of lathework, L above.
279. \$100. C., American flag on a shield between white family and Indian family. R., portrait of Washington, 100 above. L., C on four strips of lathework.
280. \$500. C., female reclining against a chest, ship on stocks, sheaves and lambs. R., female seated, two mechanics standing behind her, factories, etc., 500 above. L., canal scene, D above, 500 below.

**Manchester Bank** (Opened in 1846. Changed to the Manchester National Bank, No. 1059, in 1865).

281. \$1. C., farmer sowing seed, man harrowing, trees, etc., large 1 at right. R., a ship, 1 above, ONE below. L., 1 below, ONE across upper corner.
282. \$2. C., spread eagle on a bale, 2 at right. R., TWO, 2 above; schooner below. L., TWO above, 2 below.



283. \$3. C., large 3. R., THREE and 3 above, cars below. L., wharf scene, sailor with hat in hand, bales, barrels and shipping, 3 below; THREE across upper corner.
284. \$5. C., a female kneeling and raising a curtain from a shield on which is a figure 5, large V at right. R., a ship, 5 above. L., FIVE on a strip of lathework across.
285. \$5. C., Indian girl seated on a large V. R., portrait of Washington, 5 above. L., female seated holding rake and sickle, implements of agriculture, factories, shipping, etc., V on FIVE below.
286. \$10. C., man with plow and oxen, large 10 at right. R., female holding a rudder and cornucopia, TEN above. L., X, and 10 above and below on a strip of lathework.
287. \$20. C., eagle in a frame, XX each side. R., a ship, 20 above. L., a female seated with hand on a book, 20 above.
288. \$50. Same as No. 42, except name of bank and location.
289. \$100. Same as No. 43, except name of bank and denomination.
290. \$500. C., 500. R., female holding scales, 500 above. L., an Indian paddling a canoe, trees and mountains, 500 below.

#### Manchester and Lawrence Railroad.

##### Merrimack River Bank.

(Opened in 1855. Changed to First National Bank, No. 1153, in 1865.)

291. \$1. C., a view of Amoskeag Falls, a village and a covered bridge. R., portrait of an Italian woman, 1 above. L., female tending a machine, 1 above.
292. \$2. C., similar to No. 291. R., female and mechanic seated, 2 above, TWO below. L., two blacksmiths mending a cart, 2 above.
293. \$3. C., figure 3. R., lumber wagon, bridge crossing a mill dam, and houses, 3 above. L., three females on a cliff.
294. \$5. C., female holding a sheaf and seated in a letter V. R., female portrait, 5 above. L., an Indian, 5 above.
295. \$10. C., a soldier, two Indians, Goddess of Liberty and bust of Washington. R., female, helmet, pole, cap and shield, 10 above. L., half-length of a blacksmith, 10 above.
296. \$20. C., four white men in a boat being welcomed by Indians. R., an eagle and shield, 20 above. L., female seated and factories, 20 above.
297. \$50. C., eagle and shield. R., female seated holding a pail, 50 above. L., female seated, sailor, flag, bale and anchor.
298. \$100. R., train of cars, 100 above. L., female seated beside a bale pointing to factories, 100 above.

#### MASON.

Peterboro and Shirley Railroad Company (Chartered in June, 1846).

##### MEREDITH.

Belknap County Bank (Opened in 1846).

299. \$1. Same as No. 221.
300. \$1. Same as No. 222.
301. \$2. Same as No. 223.
302. \$2. Same as No. 224.
303. \$3. Same as No. 225.
304. \$3. Same as No. 226.
305. \$5. Same as No. 227.
306. \$5. Same as No. 228.
307. \$10. Same as No. 229.
308. \$10. Same as No. 230.
309. \$20. Same as No. 231.
310. \$50. Same as No. 232.
311. \$50. Same as No. 233.
312. \$100. Same as No. 234.

#### Winnipisiogee Bank.

**MILFORD.****Souhegan Bank.**

(Opened in 1856. Changed to Souhegan National Bank, No. 1070, in 1865.)

- 313. \$1. C., blacksmith shop, men shoeing a horse, colt tied to an anvil, locomotive in distance. R., male portrait, 1 above. L., female floating in air with United States shield, 1 below.
- 314. \$2. C., State arms on a shield surmounted by an eagle, female seated on each side, cars and steamboat. R., portrait of Washington, 2 above. L., half-length of an Indian princess, 2 below.
- 315. \$3. C., load of hay drawn by two horses; cattle and cars, bridge and cars. R., two females and interior of cottage, 3 above. L., boy and dog, 3 above.
- 316. \$5. C., figure 5 surrounded by five females, factory and ships. R., five females around a figure 5, 5 above. L., female with a sheaf, 5 below.
- 317. \$10. C., train of cars, custom house, church and factory. R., female seated, X above. L., female churning, 10 above.
- 318. \$20. C., haymakers at lunch, seven men and one woman, load of hay drawn by oxen. R., female portrait, 20 above. L., female portrait, 20 below.
- 319. \$50. C., scene in a boot manufactory, six men at work, 50 at left. R., female portrait, 50 above. L., female with sword and scales.
- 320. \$100. C., coat of arms of the United States, C on a shield. R., a female with sickle and grain, 100 above. L., female seated holding a trident, 100 below.

**NASHUA.****Boston and Lowell and Nashua and Lowell Railroad.****Indian Head Bank.**

(Chartered in 1851. Changed to Indian Head National Bank, No. 1310, in 1865.)

- 321. \$1. C., Indians on the shore, white men landing from a canoe. R., squaw holding a papoose, 1 above. L., 1 above and below.
- 322. \$1. C., farmer sowing seed, man harrowing and trees, large 1 at right. R., ship, 1 above, ONE below. L., 1 below, ONE above.
- 323. \$2. C., mechanic seated on the ground holding a hammer and resting one arm on an anvil, bridge and factories. R., male portrait, 2 above. L., female Indian with bow and spear, TWO above.
- 324. \$2. C., spread eagle on a bale, large 2 at right. R., schooner, TWO with 2 above. L., TWO above, 2 below.
- 325. \$3. C., Indian family in a canoe, 3 each side. R., sailor, mechanic and farmer grouped around a figure 3, 3 above. L., female seated, 3 above.
- 326. \$3. C., large 3. R., THREE with 3 above, cars below. L., a wharf scene, a sailor with hat in hand, bales, barrels and shipping, 3 below, THREE across upper corner.
- 327. \$5. R., five females grouped around a figure 5, 5 above. L., Indian reclining, arm resting on a shield; canoe and deer, 5 above.
- 328. \$5. C., female and cherub on a large V. R., half-length of a girl with basket of flowers, 5 above. L., spread eagle on a shield, FIVE below.
- 329. \$10. C., train of cars, depot, steamboat, etc. R., Indian female seated, X above. L., Indian girl seated, 10 above.
- 330. \$10. C., large X. R., farmer holding sickle and sheaf, 10 above. L., man seated with hammer, anvil, wheel, etc., TEN below.
- 331. \$20. C., female seated between figures 2 and 0 holding a rake. R., female seated with cornucopia, 20 above and below. L., female standing with a spear, 20 above.
- 332. \$50. C., man and woman seated with hammer, rake and horn of plenty. R., cherub steering a sailboat, 50 above and below. L., Minerva with spear and shield, 50 above.



333. \$100. C., spread eagle on the limb of a tree, cars and canal boats. R., female seated with rake in hand, 100 above. L., Vulcan seated with hammer, anvil, etc., 100 above.
334. \$500. C., 500. R., female holding scales, 500 above. L., Indian paddling a canoe, trees and mountains, 500 below.
335. \$1000. C., 1000. R., Indian girl with bow and arrow, 1000 above. L., an eagle on a cliff overlooking the sea and ships, 1000 below.

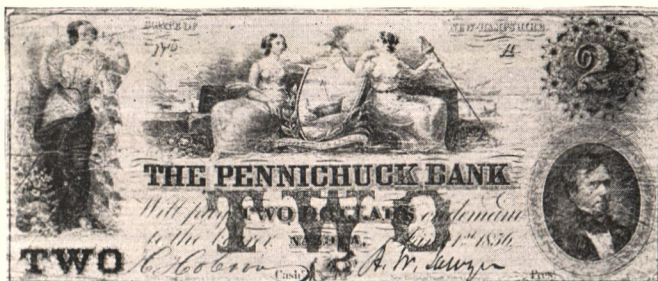
#### Nashua Bank.

336. \$1. C., an Indian erect with bow and arrow, ONE at right, 1 at left. R., girl holding a rake, 1 above. L., a girl and dog, ONE above, 1 below.
337. \$2. C., farmers reaping, TWO at right. R., female knitting, 2 above, TWO below. L., milkmaid with stool, pail and dog, 2 above.
338. \$3. C., primitive train and men at work, THREE at right, 3 at left. R., Washington standing beside his horse, 3 above, THREE below. L., female erect, holding sword and scales.
339. \$3. C., primitive train and men at work, yacht at right. R., female carrying a sheaf and hat, 3 above, THREE below. L., Indian with bow, 3 above, THREE below. Nov. 2, 1853.
340. \$5. C., spread eagle, FIVE each side, train below. R., portrait of Washington, 5 above, FIVE below. L., portrait of Franklin, FIVE above, 5 below.
341. \$5. C., eagle on the branch of a tree, canal boats and cars, large V at right. R., half-length of a girl holding flowers, 5 above. L., V above, 5 below.
342. \$10. C., steamship; Mercury presenting a purse to a female representing Commerce at left. R., portrait of Lafayette, 10 above, X below. L., portrait of Washington, TEN above, 10 below.
343. \$20. C., a female seated between figures 2 and 0 holding a rake. R., female seated with cornucopia, 20 above and below. L., female standing with spear, 20 above.
344. \$50. C., man and woman seated, with rake, hammer and horn of plenty. R., cherub steering a sailboat, 50 above and below. L., Minerva, 50 above.
345. \$100. C., spread eagle on the limb of a tree, cars and canal boats. R., female seated holding a rake, 100 above. L., Vulcan seated, hammer, anvil, etc., 100 above.

#### Nashua and Lowell Railroad.

#### Pennichuck Bank.

346. \$1. C., Indian female seated leaning right arm on a rock and pointing with left. R., portrait of Washington, 1 above. L., fountain in the form of a cherub with a dolphin's tail, 1 below.



No. 347.

347. \$2. C., a boat on a shield surmounted by an eagle, Liberty seated at right, Ceres seated at left, cars, a man plowing and factories, a man plowing between signatures. R., portrait of Pierce, 2 above. L., a woman standing, TWO below. TWO in red. Jan. 1, 1856.

348. \$3. C., three females seated, representing Agriculture, Commerce and Manufactures, load of hay below. R., portrait of Clay, 3 above. L., sailor holding a United States flag, capstan, barrel, and bale, THREE below. THREE in red. Jan. 1, 1856.
349. \$5. C., female holding a sheaf and seated in a large V. R., portrait of Cass, 5 above. L., sailor seated on the right of a shield, an Indian on the left, a female seated on each side of a shield surmounted by an eagle, 5 on lower corner.
350. \$10. C., female reclining before a shield, milkmaid and cows on the right, a locomotive on the left. R., female seated, one hand on a shield, the other on a globe, 10 above. L., male portrait, X below.
351. \$20. C., female seated, in right hand a portrait of Washington, in left hand a wreath, spread eagle at right; cars and ships. R., a dam and waterfall, 20 above. L., portrait of an Indian, XX below.
352. \$50. C., man seated with elbow resting on a column, two men and horses. R., portrait of Jackson, 50 above. L., female seated with scales, 50 below.
353. \$100. C., cattle, sheep, and two men with horse and dog. R., hunter with dog, gun and game, 100 above. L., portrait of Webster, 100 below.

**Wilton Railroad Company** (Chartered Dec. 28, 1844).

#### **NASHVILLE.**

**Indian Head Bank, Branch.**

#### **NEW IPSWICH.**

**Manufacturers Bank** (Had \$62,624 paper money in circulation in 1847).

354. \$2 Perkins stereotype steel plate, 2 on four corners, TWO across at left end. May 3, 1844.

#### **New Ipswich Bank.**

355. \$1. C., large 1. R., milkmaid seated, 1 above. L., spread eagle and shield; Capitol at Washington and a steamship, 1 below.
356. \$2. C., Hancock and Adams in top of large 2. R., female seated, 2 on TWO above and below. L., boy washing sheep, man and boy driving sheep, 2 below.
357. \$3. C., two steamships and a ship at sea. R., portrait of Webster, 3 above. L., portrait of Washington, 3 below.
358. \$3. C., large 3. R., female with flowers, THREE above and below. L., man on a horse, boy, cattle, and load of hay, 3 below.
359. \$5. C., figure 5. R., arms of New Hampshire, 5 above. L., female and eagle with shield flying, 5 below.
360. \$10. C., large X. R., train of cars and man with a wheelbarrow, 10 above. L., Signing the Declaration of Independence, X below.
361. \$20. C., female seated between 2 and 0 holding a rake. R., female seated with cornucopia, 20 above and below. L., female standing with spear, 20 above.
362. \$50. C., man and woman seated with rake, hammer and cornucopia. R., cherub steering a sailboat, 50 above and below. L., Minerva, 50 above.
363. \$100. C., eagle on the limb of a tree, cars and canal boats. R., female seated holding a rake, 100 above. L., Vulcan seated, with hammer, anvil, etc., 100 above.
364. \$500. C., 500. R., female holding scales, 500 above. L., Indian paddling a canoe, trees and mountains, 500 below.

#### **NEW MARKET.**

**New Market Bank.**

(Opened in 1855. Changed to New Market National Bank, No. 1330, in 1865.)



365. \$1. C., female seated by a bale and packages pointing to factories, 1 each side. R., portrait of a girl, ONE below. L., portrait of a boy, ONE below.
366. \$2. C., woman holding a child and four haymakers resting, men loading hay, portrait of a child at right. R., girl feeding chickens, 2 above. L., portrait of General Scott, 2 above.
367. \$3. C., female pouring water in a trough, sheep drinking, 3 each side. R., old man, child and bust of Washington, 3 above. L., cupid, 3 below.
368. \$5. C., Signing the Declaration of Independence. R., portrait of Cass, 5 above. L., male portrait, 5 above.
369. \$10. C., drover buying a cow from a farmer, cattle and sheep lying down. R., female seated holding sword and scales, 10 above. L., portrait of Webster, 10 above.
370. \$20. C., two angels in clouds holding figures 2 and 0, two cherubs between the figures. R., portrait of Jackson, 20 above. L., portrait of Clay, 20 above.
371. \$50. C., large portrait of Washington. R., female portrait, 50 above. L., female seated, shield, pole, cap, and United States Capitol, 50 above.
372. \$100. C., small shipbuilding scene. R., half-length of an Indian female, 100 above. L., spread eagle on a shield, 100 below.

#### New Market Savings Bank.

#### NEWPORT.

#### Sugar River Bank.

(Opened in 1853. Changed to First National Bank in 1865, No. 888.)

373. \$1. C., two farmers cradling grain, men raking, binding and loading grain. R., locomotive, 1 above. L., milkmaid, 1 above, ONE below.
374. \$2. C., man on horseback talking to two farmers, sheaves and trees, 2 at left. R., Indian woman and child, 2 above. L., female seated in clouds leaning against a shield surmounted by an eagle, 2 above.
375. \$3. Vignette covers both ends and lower half of note. C., anchor, sheaf, anvil and barrels. R., two females seated, man, dog, and oxen, 3 above. L., two females seated, sailor and mechanic standing, harbor and city, THREE above. Dec. 1, 1864.
376. \$5. C., FIVE. R., Goddess of Liberty, shield and eagle, 5 above. L., three men, one giving grain to female seated in clouds above, anvil, flag and eagle, FIVE above.
377. \$10. C., spread eagle and shield on a rock in the sea, ship at right, ship and towboat left. R., two females, one kneeling with sickle and sheaf, 10 above. L., two farmers and dog, X above.
378. \$20. C., boy plowing with yoke of oxen, girl with pail and jug, 20 at left. R., half-length of female with sickle and grain, 20 above. L., female resting arm on pedestal and holding shield, TWENTY below.
379. \$50. C., an angel giving an apple to a female on right below her, and her hand to a female on left below her. R., 50 above. L., Goddess of Liberty, pole, cap, shield and eagle.
380. \$100. C., portrait of Washington in a frame surmounted by an eagle, two females seated at right, one at left. R., medallion head, 100 above and below. L., female seated feeding an eagle, flag and ship, 100 below.

#### OSSIPEE.

#### Pine River Bank.

381. \$1. C., man seated between a basket of corn and grain cradle, load of hay, 1 at left. R., portrait of a small girl, 1 above. L., female feeding poultry, 1 above.

382. \$2. C., two horses, a boy on the back of one, colt, cows and sheep. R., head of girl, 2 above. L., two females, one standing with sword and scales, the other seated with spear and shield, TWO DOLLARS below.
383. \$3. C., blacksmith shoeing a horse, a donkey tied to an anvil, locomotive in distance, 3 at left. R., portrait of a boy, 3 above. L., man chopping a tree, 3 above.
384. \$5. C., a large ox, cattle, sheep and barn. R., girl churning, 5 above. L., female holding scales and sword, FIVE above.
385. \$10. C., men and women picking hops, child and dog. R., portrait of Franklin, 10 above. L., farmer holding sickle and sheaf, X below.
386. \$20. C., female seated each side of a shield surmounted by an eagle. R., male portrait, 20 above and below. L., Indian standing on a cliff.
387. \$50. C., L on a shield, an eagle on top, surrounded by flags. R., 50 above and below. L., Washington, FIFTY above.
388. \$100. C., female seated, C, factory and bridge. R., Webster, 100 above. L., 100 above and below.

### PETERBOROUGH.

#### Peterborough Bank.

(Opened in 1854. Changed to First National Bank in 1865, No. 1179.)

389. \$1. C., spread eagle and shield, clouds, stars, etc., portrait of Washington with 1 above at right, portrait of Webster with 1 above at left. R and L., ONE across on lathework.
390. \$2. C., drove of horses, 2 each side. R. and L., TWO DOLLARS on lathework across.
391. \$3. C., two men loading an ox wagon with hay, 3 on THREE at right. R. and L., THREE on lathework across.
392. \$5. C., FIVE. R., portrait of Pierce, 5 above. L., man on horseback, dog, sheep, mill, etc., FIVE above.
393. \$10. C., female reclining, chest, grain and lambs, factories in a frame. R., woman at well, 10 above. L., ship on the stocks, 10 below.
394. \$20. R., portrait of Clay, XX above. L., three females in clouds, center one kneeling, 20 above.
395. \$50. R., portrait of General Jackson, 50 above. L., Signing of the Declaration of Independence, 50 above.

### PITTSFIELD.

#### Pittsfield Bank.

396. \$1. C., men in the top of a large figure 1. R., female holding grain and leaning on a fence, 1 above. L., female seated with one arm on a barrel, cars, vessel and canal lock, 1 below.
397. \$2. C., men in top of large figure 2. R., a woman seated, 2 on TWO above and below. L., boy washing sheep, man, boy and dog driving sheep, 2 below.
398. \$3. C., large 3. R., female with flowers, THREE above and below. L., man on a horse, boy, cattle, dog and load of hay, 3 below.
399. \$5. C., a female and a cherub on a large V. R., half-length of a girl with a basket of flowers, 5 above. L., spread eagle on a shield, FIVE below.
400. \$10. C., large X. R., farmer holding a sickle and sheaf, 10 above. L., man seated with hammer, anvil, wheel, etc., TEN below.
401. \$20. C., female seated between figures 2 and 0 holding a rake. R., female seated with cornucopia, 20 above and below. L., female standing with a spear, 20 above.
402. \$50. C., man and woman seated, with rake, hammer and cornucopia. R., cherub steering a sailboat, 50 above and below. L., Minerva, 50 above.



403. \$100. C., spread eagle on the limb of a tree, cars and canal boats. R., female seated with rake in left hand, 100 above. L., Vulcan seated with hammer, anvil, etc., 100 above.

#### PLYMOUTH.

**Boston, Concord, Montreal and White Mountain Railroad.**

**Pemigewasset Bank** (Was being liquidated in 1848).

**Piscataqua Bank.**

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

#### MANY SILVER COINS UNEARTHED IN ST. LOUIS.

A short time ago, while excavating at Twelfth and Poplar streets, in St. Louis, for a new warehouse, the workmen noticed several coins in the clay. There was a scramble for them by the workmen and several onlookers, mostly boys, everyone digging with his hands, and all got something for their pains. Seeing an account of the find in the evening paper, I interviewed several of them and looked over the coins.

By questioning, I estimate that perhaps as much as \$150 worth (face value) of silver was found in trimes, half dimes, dimes, quarters and half dollars, also some Mexican, Central American and English small silver. The excavating was done with a steam shovel, and the workmen think part of the hoard was dumped in an abandoned quarry before any of them noticed any coins. The amount is estimated from \$50 to \$300.

The coins are dated from 1805 to 1862, none later. Most of them are in good to fine condition, except for an iron-rust stain, indicating that the coins probably were buried in an iron pot or kettle. None of the coins are of very rare dates, but many are in very fine condition. One man had 90 half dimes, all in very good to very fine condition and at least 20 different dates.

JOHN H. SNOW.

St. Louis, Mo., May 16, 1928.

#### BRITISH MUSEUM GETS FIND OF GOLD COINS.

The British Museum has now acquired the hollow gray flint and the 14 gold coins which were discovered in it last year by workmen while digging for gravel on Hosey Common, near Westerham, Kent. The coins belong to the later part of the second century B. C. and were struck by Celtic tribes either in the north of Gaul or in the south of Britain. The impressions on most of the coins are attempted copies of the famous gold staters of Philip of Macedon, which were the prototype of a large native coinage in central and north Gaul and Britain in the second century B. C.

A similar discovery, containing 11 gold coins, was made near Rochester in 1912, and another flint was found last year in Chute Forest, Wilts. In 1839 a hollow sandstone, containing 150 pennies of Henry II, was unearthed at Amptill, Beds.—London Times.

#### WHEN COPPERS WERE "LIGHT AND BAD."

The following extract from a letter of Paine Wingate, of New Hampshire, to Mrs. H. Wingate may interest numismatics. It is dated New York, August 1, 1789, and was recently copied in Bulletin No. 9 of Mr. W. R. Benjamin, the autograph dealer:

"There has been a mighty convulsion here lately on account of the coppers. We abound with them in this place and they were generally light and bad. On a sudden the merchants refused to take them at more than half, and some at more than one-third, that they had passed at. At Philadelphia I hear they have fared much in the same manner."

## Wrong Dates On Coins.

By CHARLES N. SCHMALL.

The common mode of writing numbers, as it is known today, has been in general use only a little over four hundred years. The origin and early history of the ten Hindu-Arabic numerals are still obscure. It is now supposed that the series of nine figures with the idea of place value, but lacking the zero, arose in India in the sixth century A. D. It is also believed that the Arabians learned and borrowed these digits from the Hindus about the year 773 A. D., along with the decimal system of notation, and the astronomical tables which were brought to Bagdad by an Indian ambassador in this year. Furthermore, it appears probable that Gerbert, who afterward became Pope Sylvester II (999-1003), acquired the use of them from the Moors in Spain, whence he returned to Italy about 970 A. D., after a sojourn of three years among these people. The nine numerals must have been introduced into Europe shortly thereafter, for they made their first appearance in a manuscript dated 976 A. D.

This method of numeral notation, at first called Algorithms, continued to spread slowly until the modern symbol for the zero, nought, or cipher was devised in the thirteenth century. The system was not generally adopted until the invention of printing in the fifteenth century. Accounts continued to be kept in Roman numbers up to the sixteenth century.

Strange as it may seem to us, who are living in the twentieth century, when such a high degree of mathematical and scientific proficiency is attained by students at an early age, the use of these denary numerals was imperfectly understood up to the middle of the sixteenth century. This is shown in several ways, especially from a numismatic standpoint, when we examine the mistakes found in the dates on the money issued during this period. Curiously enough, the zero or nought, which was the last of the ten figures developed, caused the most confusion. In shape it varied from a mere dot to a large circle. As long as the nought occupied the terminal or end position on the right in a date such as 1460, 1470, 1480, 1490, everything went well. But with the advent of the year 1500, when the zero had to move one place to the left and occupy the third position, the trouble began. Accordingly, we find many errors in the dates comprised in the first decade of the sixteenth century, i. e., from 1501 to 1511. Even when a die-cutter succeeded in setting this figure in its proper place, the nervousness and excitement attendant upon its use caused him to make some other blunder.

Again, in the following decade, 1511 to 1521, instead of dropping the zero, we find him retaining it, thus giving five figures in the date. Accordingly we find, for example, 15103 for 1513 and 15105 in place of 1515, etc.; and when he reached the year 1520, we find him reverting to 1502 instead; also to 1503 instead of 1530. Thus, while the terminal zero offered little difficulty at first, and the internal nought caused the most embarrassment, this cipher was really hard to handle in any position.

That the die-cutters who worked on the coins during the half-century from 1475 to 1525 were none too familiar with the use of the numerals, especially the zero, is clearly indicated also by the curious irregularities and defects that I have found on the coins of this period.

By a strange turn, as I have already stated, the zero, which was the last of the ten digits invented, was the source of most of the blunders which I shall enumerate. While the dates containing a terminal nought, at the end of a decade, were generally expressed correctly as in the cases 1460, 1470, 1480, 1490, the interior zero in the third place proved a hard problem.

The mistakes, irregularities and defects which I shall illustrate with coins in my own collection exclusively, fall into fifteen classes, as follows:

1. The zero made extremely small, sometimes only a mere dot, as if it were of no importance.
2. A superfluous nought, making five figures in the date.
3. The zero set in the wrong place, due to a misunderstanding of its true function.
4. The zero omitted altogether as being unnecessary.



5. Numerals transposed or placed in the wrong sequence.
6. Misshaped or malformed numerals.
7. Numerals cut in retrograde, reverse or left-handed order.
8. Double cut or recut numerals.
9. Numerals crowded too closely together or "telescoped."
10. Faulty combination or mixture of Roman and Hindu-Arabic numbers in the same date.
11. "Freak" dated, resulting from the accidental repetition of a numeral, due to double striking of the coin.
12. Uneven spacing or alignment of the numerals.
13. Placing of an inordinately large figure alongside of a comparatively small one.
14. Use of two different forms of the same numeral on a coin.
15. Numerals inverted or turned upside down.

Incidentally, it may be mentioned here that the earliest numismatic occurrence of the digital numerals is found on three Italian medals dated, respectively, 1390, 1393 and 1417. See G. F. Hill's "The Development of Arabic Numerals in Europe," London, 1915, Table LVIII, Page 114, Nos. 1, 2, 3. The first appears suspicious on account of its early employment of the zero. The remaining two have surprisingly well-formed figures for such an early epoch. All were struck from dies, and I am a little skeptical concerning their contemporaneity.

The first coin to bear a date in modern numerals is the plappart of the Abbey of St. Gallen, in Switzerland, struck in 1424. There is possibly one exception, as far as the figure 2 is concerned. The earliest danaro of Genoa bearing posthumously the name of the Emperor Conrad II, (1024-1039) and issued during the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, has the figure 2 in the monarch's title. However, a similar and contemporary piece of Asti has the Roman number II after the Emperor's name.

The following errors, cited from specimens in my collection, are the most conspicuous examples of incorrect dates on coins that I have met with:

1. Bishopric of Utrecht, quarter groschen of (14)94, but dated (14)49.
2. Utrecht, double sol of 1512, dated 1152.
3. Utrecht, double sol of 1515, dated 15105.
4. Brandenburg, groschen of 1502, 1503, dated 150ii, 150iii.
5. Brandenburg, groschen of 1501, dated 1051.
6. Hannover, groschen of 1501, dated 1051.
7. Cleve, double groschen of 1507, dated 15007.
8. Bavaria, half batzen of 1506, dated 15006.
9. Bavaria, half batzen of 1560, dated 15600.
10. Riga, shilling of (15)41, dated (15)14.
11. Lithuania, groschen of 1622, dated 1262.
12. Breslau, groschen of 1506, dated 156.
13. Brabant, double sol of 1508, dated 1058.
14. Silesia, groschen of 1505, dated 1055.
15. Brandenburg, groschen of 1508, struck at Berlin, dated 15080.
16. Halberstadt, groschen of 1521, dated 1512.

Note. The bishop, Albert of Brandenburg, held office from 1513 to 1545. The date 1512 would be premature.

17. Stralsund, witten of 1513, dated 15103.
18. Austria, groschen of 1513, dated MDX . 13.
19. Isny, half batzen of 1508, dated 158.
20. Brabant, double sol of 1502, dated 1520.

Note. Philip I died in 1506.

21. Brabant, silver fleece of 1502, dated 1520.
22. Salzburg, batzen of 1520, dated 152.
23. Tyrol, copper raitpfennig of 1601, dated 6101.
24. Passau, batzen of 1521, dated 15021.
25. Bremen, four grotes of 1499, dated 149.

The other irregularities will be treated in another article.

New York, April, 1928.

## A Numismatic-Pleasure Trip.

**A Description of the Many Interesting Scenes and Incidents Observed During a Four-Month Tour of the Far West and Southwest by Charles Markus, President of the A. N. A., and Mrs. Markus.**

I have accepted the courteous invitation of the editor of *THE NUMISMATIST* to write an account of our "numismatic-pleasure trip," and if any soporific tendencies afflict the readers, the consequences are due to him, praise be to Allah!

One fine day in November we took the "rattler" out of Davenport, westward bound, our first stop being Denver, Col. Denver is a large and growing city, surrounded by some of the grandest scenery on this mundane sphere. It was one of our desires to climb Pike's Peak, but even so early in the fall all trails were snowed under, the automobile road as much as twelve feet in some places. But we did ascend Lookout Peak, on the summit of which lies buried William F. Cody, the "Buffalo Bill" of world fame, who had the honor of appearing before all the crowned heads of Europe. His "Wild West" is still fondly remembered by the present generation and his Indians and cowboys and girls will never be forgotten.

Buffalo Bill was born about 15 miles from where these notes are written, and the old farm home is still visited by his friends who knew him in his palmy days. He lies buried in a beautiful spot on the edge of the mountain, wonderful scenery surrounding the spot on all sides. The ride by automobile up and down the mountain is a hair-raising one, there being many moments when you experience something new and novel as regards scenery, and your heart comes up to your throat, expecting to be hurled into eternity on every curve, and then to have the pleasant experience of being safe and sound of limb. We enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner at one of the numerous restaurants, and were glad we took the trip.

There are a number of enthusiastic collectors in Denver, and our only regret was that we were unable to enjoy their hospitality for a more extended stay. I look for the formation of a Coin Club there some day.

Our next objective point was Colorado Springs and the "Garden of the Gods." It is really and truly named, and I doubt if in the entire world there is a spot of similar size that even begins to rival it. Every turn of the road evinces new scenes and formations of rock and stone to entrance the eye and cause you to hold your breath. The guide calls attention to the many strange freaks of nature which are constantly encountered, showing birds, animals, turtles, and human faces, formed by action of wind and rain.

Then on and into the "Cave of the Winds." It hardly seems possible that nature could fashion so many varieties of caves, with its glittering array of stalactites and stalagmites. Some have the appearance of waterfalls, some resemble streams, and new wonders are met on every hand. In one spot there have been deposited hundreds of thousands of hairpins, as the guide tells each of the ladies to make a wish while depositing a hairpin, and it will surely come true. In this day and age of bobbed hair and consequent lack of hairpins, the fair sex has been in the habit of depositing "safety pins," over which they are told to wish. If we could only know how some of the safety-pin wishes came out, and what ideas the fair maidens entertained regarding safety pins when we consider the principal use to which they are intended to be put! But such are the vagaries of the human mind.

We sojourned in Salt Lake City, visiting the Capitol, the Mormon Tabernacle and places of interest made famous by Brigham Young and his devoted and intrepid band of followers. We were shown the former residence of a Mormon who builded a new house every time he acquired a new wife, whose intention was to complete a whole square of houses, but, alas! he died before his great ambition was realized, having succeeded in acquiring only seven wives! What a wonderful grit that old Mormon had, when in this day and age, in many instances, even one wife is superfluous!

There is no Capitol in the United States to compare with Salt Lake City. I know of no other building which is such a veritable museum of products of the State and its varied industries. Relics and mementoes of pioneer days, such as never can be gathered under one roof again, because those early and stirring days are gone forever, never to be experienced again. Several buildings were shown us in which the rafters and beams were united by



rawhide, very plain to be seen, and as hard and durable as iron. Several roofs were seen on which no nails were used. As the season was late we did not bathe in Great Salt Lake, where the water is so impregnated with salt that bathers cannot drown.

Then came Seattle, the great progressive city of the Northwest. A week was spent there in the pleasant company of our fellow-members of the A. N. A., and our only regret now is that we did not tarry longer with them instead of losing time in less interesting cities. We have a brother in Portland, Ore., with whom we made our home, and were royally entertained. Portland is another important western shipping point by water.

The Columbia Highway is one of the finest automobile ways anywhere, the scenery constantly changing from peaceful valleys to towering and frowning mountains, whose summits are eternally covered with snow and form a brilliant spectacle in the bright sunlight. From the warm valleys to the foot of the mountains and extreme cold is but a matter of several hours, experiencing the delightful translation from a temperate zone to Arctic temperature. The only drawback in this vicinity is the prevalence of fogs, cold and disagreeable, but, please remember, we were there in their winter. Driving up the heights one Sunday to obtain a bird's-eye view of Portland, a dense bank of fog hid the city from our view, but our disappointment was tempered by a magnificent view of Mount Hood, which stood forth in all its glory, like a mountain of pure white salt.

In traveling by train, it is of good advantage, where opportunity offers, to get away from the regular path of travel and make a number of side trips to nearby points of interest. Several such were made by us, which will be duly described, if your patience in reading them holds out.

Then on to San Francisco—a name to conjure with. To those travelers who have not been there since the disastrous fire and earthquake, a marvelous view presents itself in the shape of an entirely rejuvenated city of great and noble proportions, builded to last until time shall be no more. Much to our regret we arrived shortly after the monthly meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, of which we are a member. Upon notice of our arrival, Mr. H. L. Hansen, Secretary, called at our hotel to welcome us, and tendered us a truly magnificent reception. Mrs. Markus was remembered by a mammoth bouquet of roses, and the real warmth of our reception warmed the cockles of our hearts and made us truly pleased to visit San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Hansen drove us over the cities of Oakland, Berkeley, and Piedmont, and the surrounding country, where we viewed the fine University buildings, the Stadium, Library, clock tower and many other points of interest. We had read of their great institutions of learning made celebrated by extensive endowments of the old pioneers, thus obtaining a close-up view of their generosity. San Francisco has a growing Coin Club of enthusiastic members, and our reception by them will always be pleasant memories along life's journey. More power to them!

Of course, the "Golden Gate" was visited, the fine harbor and extensive and celebrated parks, including "seal rocks," the long-time and protected home of a herd of gigantic seals. Mount Tamalpais and the Muir Woods were visited, where were seen some very fine specimens of "red woods," which grow nowhere except on the Pacific Coast. The railway up Mount Tamalpais is the most novel in all the world. From base to summit there are 284 curves of all degrees, some so sharp that the locomotive appears to jump off into space and instant destruction, but the claim is made that no accident has ever occurred which resulted in loss of life.

The view from the summit is a vast expanse of forest and water, and, after refreshing the "inner man," descent was made into Muir Woods, on a short, single "hand-car," controlled only by a brake, and going around some of those sharp curves was nerve racking, but all went well. A walk through the big-tree woods, with its awful silence, among trees which were large when human eyes first beheld them, a stop for a photograph, a walk through the trunk of a giant redwood, a short motor ride, then to the train which brought us over, and home then to our hotel. A delightful day's outing, up steep mountains, a view of the large trees, will never be forgotten.

Los Angeles was our next objective point, a city celebrated all over the world, as in its limits are Hollywood, Pasadena, Altadena and Long Beach. Hollywood! What a name to conjure with! Every country in the world, civilized and uncivilized, knows the name, with its numerous studios, where



motion pictures are manufactured, many of which have thrilled the world. What a long array of celebrated artists reside there, among them our favorite. Hollywood has been and is still the mecca of countless thousands who thought their talents would revolutionize the motion picture industry and make them celebrated. Alack! and alas! Hollywood has disillusioned many a girl who went there in high hopes and very soon discovered her self-thought talents would not even buy enough food to prevent starvation! Still, they flock there, like moths around a candle, undeterred by experience of others.

We attended the "Tournament of Roses" and were entertained for three hours by the 300 decorated floats and 70 bands. A dragon of flowers, seventy feet long, moving his tail and breathing smoke from his nostrils! A float containing an old-fashioned prairie schooner and a yoke of live oxen! All colors and kinds of flowers decorated the floats, and the wonder was, where did all the flowers come from, whose freshness was evident and whose fragrance filled the air! Truly they do things on a magnificent scale by their yearly show. In the limits of Los Angeles are scores of oil wells, which can be smelled sometimes before seen. Many of them are situated in back of residences still occupied.

Of course, the crowning glory in and near Los Angeles are the many and large citrus groves—orange, lemon, and grapefruit. Walnuts and almonds are also very extensively cultivated. It is a beautiful sight to see an orange grove in full blossom, yet on the same branch will be found oranges ranging in size from a hazelnut to the full developed and ripe fruit, ready to pick. All these groves are irrigated, rainfall being insufficient to mature crops. Water pipes are visible on every hand, and during the irrigating process groves are over shoe tops in water.

We passed through every valley within 50 miles of Los Angeles, and saw many dams, including the one which caused such disastrous and unexpected loss of life. Los Angeles covers more territory than any other city in the world, including the famous cities mentioned above, also many beaches of well-known fame, the most prominent of which is Long Beach, sometimes called the "Capital of Iowa" owing to the large number of Iowa tourists there.

During a walk along the "Pike" you are sure to meet whoever you are seeking. A fine music pavilion with its free band concerts is in evidence. Sandy beaches on which picnic parties and bathers are to be found galore. Our stay in Los Angeles was of five weeks duration, living at the home of our youngest brother.

The outstanding feature of our visit in Los Angeles was the formation of the "California Coin Club," which, I am informed, has now 21 members, with many more in prospect. At various A. N. A. conventions we were told that formation of a Coin Club there was impossible and "can't be done." Conflicting interests which had never been harmonized loomed up. Careful inquiry among collectors resulted in discouraging me in any attempt to try. But "can't be done" not being in my vocabulary, I went steadily ahead, experiencing many anxious hours, with ultimate success. With the able co-operation of such fine and intrepid men as John P. Kennedy, President; Walter S. Hertzog, Secretary; J. Milnor Brown, R. E. Ballinger, Michael P. Carey, Howard C. Laible, Howard R. Newcomb and others, a strong and enduring Coin Club was formed, thus refuting all croakers. We do not desire credit for the formation of a club, but, nevertheless, we are very proud of our very successful efforts to added glory of the A. N. A. "California Coin Club" members, may you endure long and be prosperous, is the wish of the writer, your fellow-member, and I hold you all in loving memory and wish to keep posted regarding your doings!

Our last stop in California was San Diego, for five memorable and pleasant weeks, the most pleasant city, as regards climate and surroundings, of our visit on the Pacific Coast. We say this fearlessly, boldly and without prejudice against any city we visited. Interesting from many viewpoints, the outstanding features are the United States naval base and aviation fields. An inspiring sight, while sitting on one of the water-side benches, was the coming to their respective anchoring places of the large warships, each surrounded by many submarines, from largest to smallest. Illuminated at night and decorated with flags in the daytime, they are a sight to feast the eyes. After anchoring, many small craft bring many hundreds of tars and marines ashore for leave during the night. The navies of the world can



anchor in San Diego Bay, the entrance protected by concealed and peaceful looking batteries, the entrance at Point Loma being scarcely a half mile wide.

Point Loma! The southernmost point of land in the United States, grand and imposing in appearance, the Pacific Ocean waters constantly breaking at its base. The point is surmounted by an old and interesting Spanish light-house, a relic of the days when California belonged to Mexico. The Government has many fine buildings at the naval base, a training ground for marines and sailors. Marines were scarce there, most of them doing police duty in Nicaragua. Then the aeroplanes! They are of all kinds and description, both land and water, and scores of them are to be seen during the daylight hours. Singly and in battle formation, you may obtain an inkling of what the United States is doing to safeguard the lives and property of its citizens.

Balboa Park is of great extent, entirely surrounded by the city, gradually being developed into a beauty spot. Easy of access on foot or vehicles, its great attraction is an extensive zoo. Many fine buildings of the Exhibition are occupied by interesting and varied exhibits. The one outstanding feature of Balboa Park is its outdoor organ, the largest in the world, a gift to the city by Claus Spreckles, the late sugar king. The U. S. Grant Hotel here is owned by a son of General U. S. Grant, of immortal Civil War fame. We visited the home of "Ramona," the principal character of the novel made famous by Helen Hunt Jackson, a short distance from the city, kept just as in the days of the story.

We nearly forgot to mention the free concerts in Balboa Park. We heard several of the concerts and reminds us of a story. A stand shows the title of each piece as it is being played, but, not being readable from the extreme side, a difference sometimes arises as to the name of the piece. Three Irishmen who had been in this country but a short time attended a musical program. The first one said, "What is that piece they are playing?" Number two answered, "That is 'The Six Steps of Lucy.'" "You're all wrong," said number three. "It is 'The Devil's Song,' by Fause." "It tells on that card up in front," said number one, "I will go see." He made his way down the aisle, with this declaration: "You're both wrong. It is the 'Refrain from Spitting.'"

San Diego is a delightful place to winter, as the climate is very equable, no great differences being experienced. We obtained a new A. N. A. member there, R. H. Gunnis, assistant cashier of the First National Bank.

The celebrated Mexican town of Tia Juana is a short distance from San Diego, home of one of the celebrated race track, a town of a hundred gambling houses and saloons just over the United States border, where beverages, principally hard, are to be obtained. The border is closed at 6.30 P. M., and if you are late you spend the night in Mexico. Customs and immigration guards face each other across the boundary. Their favorite questions are: "Are you an American citizen?" and "Did you purchase anything dutiable?" Woe unto you if you have a bottle of beer or whiskey, unless it is in your "gizzard." George J. Bauer and wife of Rochester, N. Y., motored down from Los Angeles to visit us. We went over the border together, and for further particulars we refer you to George.

Eastward we wend our way to Mexicali, Mexico, where all the beer is manufactured. Then on to El Paso and across the border to Juarez, the city which Pancho Villa, of unsavory fame, captured during the Mexican Revolution, or, rather, one of many of them. Bullet holes and shot marks are still to be seen on the church tower and walls and windows, vivid reminders of bloody days. Juarez is similar to Tia Juana, only more disreputable, being much larger. A typical Mexican border town, its only excuse for existing being an oasis for thirsty and gambling inclined Americans. We visited it a number of times, but don't be uncharitable and ask us why!!

The difference between the Catholic Church and the Mexican Government was agitating the United States Catholics at the time, and as it was a prolific source of discussion and difference of opinion, we made it a special subject of inquiry. Being strictly neutral and unbiased, our opinion may be worth reading. Inquiries on the subject were made from business men, policemen, laborers, peons, Indians, automobile drivers, loafers, Catholic and non-Catholic, principally through interpreters, who, upon ascertaining our motives were not one-sided, answered freely at times.



Churches are open at all times, but the confession box door is padlocked, and, as one Catholic stated, he or she is not hindered in making confession direct to God without the assistance of a priest. We visited a number of churches and heard educated women, who were surrounded by eager listeners, reading from what resembled a prayer book. We attended the funeral of a man who must have been popular, as the church was nearly filled, most attendants being men. They were reverently kneeling, saying prayers in silence and departed without a spoken word. The question is, to whom can they go now to confess their sins or confide their perplexities, those ignorant and trusting peons and Indians who cannot understand why the consolations of religion should be denied them.

But there is another side to the question. Many churches are still open and unmolested, operating under Government supervision, as several informants told us, restrictions not being as bad as are claimed. Principal disturbers are fanatical priests, who know no law, and will not listen to any save those given them by their superiors, who are fugitives in nearby countries. Most people are ignorant as to what the Government requires of churches, as priests do not allow their parishioners to read anything except what they tell them they may.

Teachers were mostly nuns. They taught religion, but not overmuch learning out of books. Through wars, insurrections, revolutions, downfalls, Spanish, Mexican, civil, ecclesiastical, the church sought to control the Government, even the minds and thoughts of the people. We have never read an American newspaper which contained an accurate account of the Mexican laws governing religious matters, but still many people tried to have the American Government interfere with Mexico on this subject, but to the eternal credit of the "powers that be" at Washington a firm stand was taken and adhered to. Agitation on this matter has about died down in the United States and should never come to the surface again.

We visited San Antonio, saw their object of greatest interest, the Alamo, well preserved, and has the same appearance today as in the days of the awful and uncalled-for massacre. A river winds through the city, spanned by many fine bridges and strings of many-colored electric lights, a very pleasing and beautiful sight at night.

Galveston came next, and is a different city from that of 1900, the year of the awful flood, the death roster in and near the city being about 8,000. But such a catastrophe can never occur there again, owing to the building of a magnificent sea wall and raising of the entire city from 7 to 15 feet. Vessels were loading cotton at the wharves. A large, fine Japanese liner was discharging cargo, to reload with cotton for the home country.

Houston! Fine and progressive, claimed our attention and we made our headquarters at the Rice Hotel, where we had registered more than 25 years ago. We visited the site of the immense building where the coming Democratic National Nominating Convention is to be held and had the pleasure of witnessing the erection of the first roof truss.

Dallas came next. They claim the greatest population of any Texas city, and perhaps rightly so, as it appeared to be growing and prosperous.

Fort Worth was our last stopping place in Texas, the home of more oil promoters, brokers, and "fly-by-night" oil companies than any city on earth. We visited a number of brokers with whom we have made investments in the past, good, bad, and indifferent. We still had a pocket full of money, but not even the "oiliest" of them (and, believe us, there are some slick ones among them) succeeded in coaxing another dollar out of us, when we remembered the beautiful array of finely engraved certificates of stock we have in our "strong box" at home. Even to this day we reverently file their flamboyant circulars in the waste basket with the greatest of care!

No mention of Fort Worth is complete until we have told of a number of visits to the numismatic establishment of the celebrated and well-known B. Max Mehl, whom we have had the pleasure of meeting at annual conventions of the A. N. A. since Hector was a pup! We made a number of visits to his coin shop and witnessed the method and manner of buying and selling coins on a large scale. We were invited to his fine new home, where we were entertained, dined and w—d (we nearly let the cat out of the bag that time, Max), shown every point of interest in and around the city, theater and dinner parties down town. By the way, we forgot to mention we helped build the beautiful new Mehl home, and paid for many articles entering in its construction. We hereby publicly express our sincere thanks to the three



lady members of the Mehl family, as well as to B. Max, for the extreme courtesy and consideration extended us on our visit to Fort Worth, but it is hardly to be wondered at, for was he not entertaining the President of the American Numismatic Association and wife? (Bouquet thrown at myself by myself.)

Finale. Our trip of over four months was a constant series of romance, adventures, strange contrasts, level prairies, higher table lands, foothills, mountains and gorges to make you dizzy to look up and down at—enough for a lifetime. Think of it, towering mountains that rival Switzerland's! Islands that rise out of the mother of oceans; a series of deserts as spell-binding as the Sahara; miles and miles of ocean beaches where the surf thundered unceasingly. And a few miles away is old Mexico! A land not yet entirely civilized, where to read and write is the exception, the mecca of thousands of thirsty Americans who fondly desire the return of the "good old days" when—but we forbear.

Another finale. It was our intention and desire to visit and chat with as many numismatists as possible, and our only regret is that we did not meet them all. Our sincere and everlasting thanks are hereby tendered to the many we did meet, for the unvarying courtesy extended us at all times. They are bright spots in our journal, and we hope to meet them again before the Great Collector of us all gathers us in. The new friends we made make us ardently desire to make another "Numismatic-pleasure trip" to meet them all, and those we missed this time.

The attentions and courtesies showered on us on every hand will never be forgotten, but we do not arrogate them to us in person, but rather as a mark of respect to the President of the American Numismatic Association and wife.

To those of you who waded through this diatribe from beginning to end, we tender our sympathy and commiseration.

Yours very sincerely,

CHARLES MARKUS,

President, A. N. A.

Davenport, Iowa, May 9, 1928.

## The Two-Dollar Bill.

By ROBERT H. LLOYD.

In all currency systems, past and present, there never has been an issue or piece drawing so much comment as the much-maligned two-dollar bill. A most natural unit of the paper currency, it appeared in 1862 for the first time, and has since succeeded in having its name connected with superstition, distrust and aversion to an unusual degree. There is no question as to the aversion which many people have for two-dollar bills. It is my belief that the causes for its unpopularity can be removed so that the bill can be made to take a place on a par with other denominations, to the direct advantage of the people and the Government.

A multitude of superstitions have arisen around the twos since the Civil War period. Why this should be so it is not easy to determine. One finds, for instance, that in gambling it is regarded as a hoodoo. If it was placed on a table in a Santa Fe gambling house in the days of Westward expansion, the offender was liable to be shot. Ill luck was thought to accompany its presence. At the races, a two-dollar bill is never taken on the bets. A two in the hands of a ball player spelled defeat for his team in its next game. A great many similar beliefs have grown up and all are quite unfounded. The two-dollar bill is no more unlucky than a five, and in no way could be, the experiences of a few individuals notwithstanding.

Then, again, the question of confusing it with other denominations comes up. It is claimed that it becomes mixed with fives or that it looks like a five. If such confusion has resulted, it is due to sheer carelessness. Certainly there is no more resemblance between a two and a five than there is between a ten and a twenty. The Bureau of Engraving and Printing has taken pains to see that all denominations differ in design from all others. The claim that the two resemble other notes is foolish.

Passing twos out for fives is carelessness, but there may be cases where extreme watchfulness is necessary to avoid this. As a matter of fact, many

cash drawers and tills are made with three sections for notes. It is the practice to keep ones in the first pocket, fives mixed with twos in the second pocket and tens and twenties in the third pocket. It is possible in a case like this that twos may have been confused with fives; but neither cashier nor customer should be deceived if they are at all observing of their currency. Everyone should scrutinize his notes.

I have before me many articles, clippings and jokes on the two-dollar bill. One is a full page from the Liberty Magazine a year ago. This is a review of the supposed unlucky characteristics of the two-dollar bill in the sporting world. Another article from a New York daily describes the aversion of gamblers to the two. All this shows the predominance of the indefensible ideas concerning two-dollar bills.

What is the result of this? The twos are a neglected denomination; the quantity is small because the demand is small. A demand is exercised through the banks, and the banks do not call for them unless the public demands them. Let me relate from experience concerning two-dollar bills. With a friend I went to the bank and, proffering a twenty, I asked for twos. The very surprised reply, "What! Twos?" The same experiment was tried a week later at another bank—"Twos? Why do you want them?" And since this last fellow did not have them separate, he had to search for them. Since then the experiment has been tried in half a dozen places. Always the surprised "Twos?" In our home banks the twos are now forthcoming with a friendly smile.

At the present time there are United States notes and silver certificate twos in use, Treasury and national bank notes in this denomination having long since gone from circulation. Two-dollar bills at present total some sixty millions, or, approximately, thirty million pieces. These are in contrast to four hundred million of ones, making the ratio of ones to twos about thirteen to one. This is a great disproportion. The Treasurer's annual report gives the following figures:

**Ratio of Small Denominations to All Currency (In Pieces).**

| Year.     | Ones. | Twos. | (All others constant)                |
|-----------|-------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 1919..... | 5.80  | 1.74  |                                      |
| 1922..... | 6.75  | 1.50  |                                      |
| 1925..... | 7.51  | 1.20  | A slight increase                    |
| 1926..... | 7.67  | 1.19  | in the total pieces,<br>and amounts. |

This table shows that since 1919 the ratio has changed from about six to two to eight to one.

**Increase in One Dollar Bills Outstanding.**

| Year.     | U. S. Notes.  | Certificates. | Totals.       |
|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| 1923..... | \$122,000,000 | \$220,000,000 | \$342,000,000 |
| 1924..... | 96,000,000    | 276,000,000   | 372,000,000   |
| 1925..... | 59,000,000    | 356,000,000   | 415,000,000   |
| 1926..... | 25,000,000    | 407,000,000   | 432,000,000   |

The unprecedented increase in ones explains why the twos are so outnumbered.

Let us consider ways to increase the popularity of twos. Since there is no real reason why the twos should not be on a par with other denominations, why not use it to increased extent? Think of its convenience. In the same amount of space one can carry twice as much money as can be carried in ones. Then, also, a two is always easily changed. There is no reason to fear it impossible to break on occasion as one does with a five or a ten. These two factors alone should tend to show the public the possibilities of the two-dollar bill.

Furthermore, there is in the two a principle of saving which should prove attractive to Coolidge economy. A two will circulate as long as a one, or longer, the small denominations wearing faster, of course, than the higher valued notes. At present the four hundred millions in ones cost the Bureau more than one and seven-tenths cents per note, and the rate of issue is increasing. Granted that the decline of the silver dollar during the war had increased the use of ones, that does not explain why the Treasury continues to increase the number of ones out of all proportions to the other denominations.

Now, let us suppose that the Bureau prints twos at approximately the same cost. If more twos are issued in place of ones, the same money total



will remain. As soon as the twos are put out in quantities the disproportionate ratio of thirteen to one can be reduced to, say, five to one, and thus a large decline in printing costs will come. Less paper, less ink, fewer operations, such as cutting, sealing will be needed and a more sane ratio of circulation will be maintained. Yet in no way will trade be hampered, for the additional twos will work with ones in making change. Figures of three hundred million ones to fifty million twos (pieces) would bring about a sensible ratio of six to one. These figures are, of course, approximations. They show, however, the wisdom of making the two a useful unit.

The principle can be more clearly seen if we inspect Canada's ratio. American tourists are quick to notice the large number of twos in circulation. We are indebted to Mr. S. P. McCavour, Comptroller of the Currency for the Dominion, for these figures:

**October 31st, 1925.**

|                                                       |              |
|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Dominion Notes in circulation, \$1 .....              | \$17,844,984 |
| Dominion Notes in circulation, \$2 .....              | 12,833,891   |
| Dominion Notes in circulation, pieces of the \$2..... | 6,416,945    |

It will be seen from these figures that the ratio of ones to twos is three to one in Canada, as against thirteen to one in the States. As a result, the Canadian citizen accepts the two as a matter of course and has difficulty in understanding the American superstitions concerning them.

There may come a time when the Treasury will act on this question, but complete paralysis characterizes their present attitude. The two-dollar bill is in on way unlucky or an evil omen; it does not resemble any other denomination, and there can be no excuse for confusing it with others. The two-dollar denomination is highly useful and convenient. Its increased use would result in economy and efficiency. The success of the two dollar note in Canada should be proof enough of its convenience. It is the duty of business men and bankers as well as Treasury officials to bring the bill into its proper status and cease, as modern educated citizens, to give credence to silly beliefs and superstitions. More twos!

North Tonawanda, N. Y., April 10th, 1928.

### EVANSTON, ILL., HAS GOLD RUSH.

In hope of striking another chest of gold, workmen excavating for the new Nichols intermediate high school in Evanston were digging with renewed zest today. While wielding a pick eight feet below the surface yesterday a workman broke open a lead box and gold coins spilled out. A cry went up and the thirty workmen scrambled for the coins. Some obtained as much as \$200. Others, not so fortunate, grabbed \$5 or \$20 pieces. All the coins bore dates between 1847 and 1881.

According to Mayor Charles Bartlett, who lives a short distance from the new school, more than twenty years ago a man named Oscar Borguland, aged and eccentric and known in Evanston as "the miser," lived at the spot, which is on the lot at 1058 Sherman street. He was reputed to have a fortune, but not much of his money was found after his death. The coins were of \$5, \$10 and \$20 pieces.—Newspaper Clipping.

### NEW OFFICIALS TO SIGN PAPER CURRENCY.

Frank White, Treasurer of the United States, has resigned to accept a position as head of a financial institution.

The signature change due in the future will appear with the two new signatures appearing concurrently. Last October Walter O. Woods was appointed to succeed H. V. Speelman as Register, and H. Theodore Tate, of Tennessee, has been appointed Treasurer by President Coolidge, Mr. Tate being promoted from the office of Assistant Treasurer. In course of time these changes should give us a new signature variety of Woods-Tate.

R. H. LLOYD.

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## Editorial Comment—Numismatic News.

### SILVER DOLLAR OF SMALLER SIZE PROPOSED.

A movement is under way in Colorado for adoption of a silver dollar considerably smaller in size than the present familiar "cart-wheel." An increase in the mining industry of Colorado is seen if the proposal offered for the new scientific dollar is adopted by the Federal Government, according to a press dispatch from Denver.

The new coin, according to present discussion, would be composed of one ounce of silver, 47 cents' worth of gold and 3 cents' worth of alloy, mostly copper. Such a composition is pointed out as being a fair, equitable representation of the value of the country's wealth, which is based on gold and silver. Another advantage of the new dollar, as contemplated under the



proposal, would be its size, for it would be slightly larger than the 50-cent piece and of a thickness 20 per cent. less than the half dollar.

Were such a piece adopted, Colorado, being one of the largest producers of silver in the land, would naturally benefit in a proposition whose features would offer advantages to everybody. Manufacture of the coin would necessitate an increased production of silver and this would stimulate mining, put more money into circulation and cause a greater prosperity, the proponents declare.

Discussion of the proposal brought out the cumbersomeness of the present "iron man," the disadvantage of whose weight has caused the Eastern section of the country to shun it and substitute the dollar bill.

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### WHERE YOU EAT AND DRINK ON MONEY.



—Photo by Keystone View Co., Inc., of N. Y.

A German girl seated at one of the tables in a restaurant in Berlin, Germany. On each of the tables in the restaurant there are numerous specimens of war-time money, both metal and paper. The tables have glass tops.

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### NUMISMATICS AND THE A. N. A. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

THE NUMISMATIST for June, 1903, contained the following articles: "The Last Ming Dynasty of China"; "Unusual Numismatic Specimens"; "The Crossed Spade and Anvil Halfpennies"; "Coins of Bible Places"; "A Novel Scheme"; "Knock and It Shall Be Opened to You." The department devoted to the A. N. A. contained the names of thirteen applicants for membership, among which we note that of B. Max Mehl, of Fort Worth, Texas.

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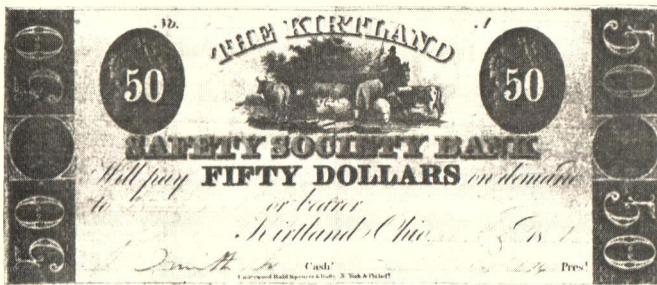
### LINDBERGH MEDAL TO SELL FOR \$1.

It is unofficially announced that the medal for Colonel Lindbergh authorized by Congress, to be struck at the United States Mint, will sell for \$1.

### THE \$50 KIRTLAND NOTE.

Hidden away from the eyes of the public, on account of lack of space to exhibit, lies the extremely rare \$50 note of Kirtland, Ohio. In *THE NUMISMATIST* for May, 1914, Mr. Waldo C. Moore illustrates and describes the \$1, \$2, \$3, \$5, \$10 and the \$100 notes. He states that up to that date it had been impossible to locate any \$20 or \$50 notes. The accompanying photo of the \$50 note will be an added asset to the now almost complete series of Kirtland.

The above note bears the signature of J. Smith, Jr., Cashier, and S. Rigdon, Pres., and bears the date Sept. 7, 1837. Through the extended courtesy of Mr. L. H. Shattuck, Director, and Mrs. J. R. Jordan, Assistant Director, of the Chicago Historical Society, Mr. R. E. Davis and myself have had the pleasure of examining the enormous lot of bank notes in the Society's collection. There are also the \$2, \$3, \$5 and \$10 notes of Kirtland.



The collection is rich in Illinois notes. There is a complete set of notes of the Bank of Edwardsville, from 25c. to the \$20, all dated 1819. This is the second bank chartered in the State of Illinois.

This is a partial list of the notes of Illinois.

\$1 National Bank note of Grundy County, 1865.

\$1, \$3 Bank of Chicago, 1852.

\$2 Bank of Fox River, of Dundee, 1852.

\$1, \$20 Bank of Shawnetown, 1851.

\$3 Shawnese Elizabethtown 1860.

\$1, \$2, \$5 Lafayette Bank, of Bloomington, 1858.

\$2 Bank of Illinois, New Haven, 1860.

\$2, \$5 Bank of Cario, Kaskaskia.

\$1 Bank of Ashland, Colconda, 1860.

\$2 Bank of Naperville, no date.

\$2 Bank of Belleville, 1846.

\$5 Bank of Hustonville, 1855.

\$1 City Bank of Chicago, no date.

\$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, \$100 Illinois and Michigan Canal Fund, Lockport.

\$3 E. I. Tinkham & Co. Bank, McLeansboro, 1859.

10c., \$25c. I. N. Dickson, Kankakee City, Ill.

\$1, \$2, \$3, \$5 Chicago Marine and Fire Insurance Co.

Philip Conely, 134 Lake St., Chicago, 1861.

A. G. Downs & Co., 150 Lake St., Chicago, 1861.

P. Palmer & Co., 112-114-116 Lake St., Chicago, 1861.

Stryker & Co., 141 Lake St., Chicago.

Wm. M. Ross & Co., 167-69 Lake St., Chicago.

ELMER J. LAWLESS.

### IRISH FREE STATE COINS TO BE ISSUED SOON.

Irish currency will supplant British in the Free State before long, according to the Manchester Guardian, which reports that the new currency and banknotes will be ready in about two months and the coins some time later. While values and denominations of the Irish currency will be identical with



those of the English, the designs will be different. William Butler Yeats, poet and playwright, who is a member of the Free State Senate and chairman of the committee of artists who have advised as to the designs, says the new coins will be among the most artistic in Europe. The head of the King will be replaced by the design of a harp. On the other side coins will bear varying designs, including a horse and bull and a hen with a brood as representing agriculture; a salmon and a woodcock to represent sport, and a round tower and a wolfhound to represent Ireland's ancient culture.

There will be eight classes of coins, a half crown, florin, and shilling all containing seventy-five per cent. silver; a six penny and a three penny piece of nickel and a penny, halfpenny, and farthing of bronze.

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#### NEW VARIETY OF 1796 CENT?

I am enclosing a description of a variety of the 1796 cent. Both the obverse and the reverse are believed to be entirely new, although the reverse closely resembles Doughty No. 97. This cent has been examined by Mr. George H. Clapp, of Sewickley, Pa., and by Mr. Howard R. Newcomb, of Detroit, the description furnished having been prepared by Mr. Clapp.

Obverse—LIBERTY evenly spaced with ER close to hair. Point of curl under right side of upright of B, highest wave of hair to left of upright of R, E directly over depression in wave of hair, junction point of hair and forehead below center of T. Date evenly spaced, with point of 1 closer to hair than to curl, 6 high, with knob touching drapery. A very heavy break in the die starts at the rim opposite the chin, curves upward through the mouth and then down across the hair, just touching the lower knot ribbon and on to rim. This obverse is closest to G-30.

Reverse—Fraction bar short, starting well to the right of 1 and equidistant numerator and denominator, 1 distant from 00. No stems. Ribbon ends close to U and A. In STATES the first S is low and close to T. AMERICA well spaced with final A slightly low and close to C. CENT close, with E slightly low, C does not touch leaf. Point of lowest leaf on left below right side of N, point of leaf under D below right side of curve, highest leaf below right side of S. All berries have long stems, except second on left, which is attached to leaf stem. There appears to be a crack through second T in STATES running to left terminal leaf, but this may be a corrosion mark.

JOHN P. KENNEDY.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 11, 1928.

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#### WHO KNOWS THE ORIGIN OF THIS PIECE?

I wonder if any readers of THE NUMISMATIST can enlighten me on the subject of the following jeton or medal. It is of copper and is 22 mm. in diameter. The outstretched American eagle is surrounded by 24 stars with E PLURIBUS UNUM in the field. Reverse is a crown entoured by GUARDIE DEL CORPO DI S M., which means the body-guard of his Majesty. As far as I know, we never had a king as the head of our Government unless they hid it from me, and if that is the case will some of your bear-cats on history put me wise? Many thanks.

E. H. SCHWING.

19, Rue Littre, Paris, France, April 27, 1928.

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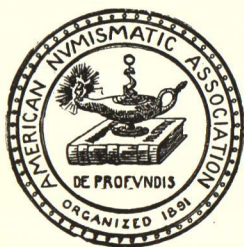
#### THE CENTS OF 1922.

In looking over the May number of THE NUMISMATIST I read Mr. C. M. Roberts' article on Philadelphia Mint cents of 1922. I wish to state that I disagree with him on this matter.

I have seen several specimens of the cents with D mint marks, of which I have two, one struck sharp and one faint. I also have one with absolutely no mint mark at all. This cent is in very fine condition, showing only a few stains only.

CHARLES N. COOLEY.

Grand Rapids, Mich., May 7, 1928.



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| 2306 Roosevelt Rd., Chicago, Ill. ....                        | Harry T. Wilson  |
| Wilhelm Kohler (Coins of the World),                          | O. B. Carlsen    |
| 4 Hornbækgade, Copenhagen L., Denmark .....                   | Harry T. Wilson  |
| Harry L. Byerly (Half Cents, Cents, 2 and 3 Cent pieces) .... | R. W. Stehfest   |
| P. O. Box 1053, Detroit, Mich. ....                           | Edward C. Ball   |
| M. A. Vogel (U. S. Metal and Paper Money),                    | Moritz Wormser   |
| 230 S. Wells St., Chicago, Ill. ....                          | Harry T. Wilson  |
| ✓ Robert K. Botsford (United States Coins),                   | John Zug         |
| 571 Broad St., Nescopeck, Pa. ....                            | F. G. Duffield   |

#### Admitted to Life Membership.

✓ Mrs. S. A. Brown, 277 Park Ave., New York, N. Y. Life No. 28.

I regret to report the death of Mr. Leon Fuldauer, of Brussels, Belgium, who passed away April 6, 1928.

#### Change of Address.

Siegfried Wyler, from ~~Arlington Hotel, Hot Springs, Ark.~~, to 4113 Potomac Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. N. H. Hinckley, from ~~6210 N. Artesian Ave., Chicago, Ill.~~, to 6430 N. Fairfield Ave., Chicago, Ill.

✓ Henri Weil, from 137 E. 29th St., New York, N. Y., to 210 E. 51st St., New York, N. Y.

✓ Dr. W. I. Mitchell, Paonia, Cal., to 1644 Visalia St., Berkeley, Cal.

Alexandre Orłowski, from ~~70 Cornhill, London, E. C. 3, Eng., to 6 Bishopsgate, London, E. C. 2, Eng.~~

✓ M. H. Jackson, from 5342 Cornell Ave., Chicago, Ill., to 1648 E. 54th St., Chicago, Ill.

✓ R. R. Nichol, from 810 10th St., Modesto, Cal., to 913 10th St., Modesto, Cal.

✓ Edward W. Heusinger, from P. O. Box 1056, San Antonio, Tex., to 202 Terrell Road, Terrell Hills, San Antonio, Tex.

✓ William A. Gaede, from 199 S. Dithridge St., Pittsburgh, Pa., to 5419 Kentucky Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

✓ Adam Pietz, from 108 West Queen Lane, Philadelphia, Pa., to 7025 Lincoln Drive, Philadelphia, Pa.

✓ Joseph W. Reno, from 4130 W. 25th Place, Chicago, Ill., to 2658 S. Karlov Ave., Chicago, Ill.

✓ W. L. Parsons, from 231½ West Sixty-ninth St., Los Angeles, Cal., to 236 West Sixty-eighth St., Los Angeles, Cal.

HARRY T. WILSON, General Secretary.

## A. N. A. News and Announcements.

### DEATHS.

**EDWARD E. SHEPARDSON**, for a number of years a member of the A. N. A., died at his home, 152 Lowell street, Somerville, Mass., on April 20. He had been in failing health for the last few years. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. George E. Heath, D. D., pastor of the College Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, on Sunday afternoon, April 22, and burial was at Pike, N. H., the following day.

Mr. Shepardson was born in Newbury, Vt., May 20, 1862, and his early boyhood was spent there, and later in Watertown and Camden, Maine. On September 29, 1873 he married Adelia Manson, of Pike, N. H., and settled in that town, where he had charge of a creamery. He later became a salesman for creamery supplies, living first in Plymouth, N. H., and later in Somerville.

At the time of his death Mr. Shepardson was vice-president of the Boston Numismatic Society. He was also a member of the Suburban Stamp Society of Boston; Grafton Lodge of Masons, of Haverhill, N. H.; Highland



Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, of Somerville; the United Commercial Travelers and the Somerville Sons and Daughters of New Hampshire.

Mr. Shepardson had attended a few conventions of the A. N. A. and was highly esteemed by fellow-collectors. He was particularly interested in Colonial coins and the early cents of the United States, on both of which he was considered an authority.

Besides his widow, he is survived by a son, Ross A. Shepardson, of Newton, Mass.; two daughters, Mrs. Truell Emerson and Miss Reta B. Shepardson, both of Somerville; three grandchildren, and a brother, Frank A. Shepardson, of Los Angeles, Cal.

At a meeting of the Boston Numismatic Society, April 27, the following resolutions on the death of Mr. Shepardson were passed:

"In the death of Edward E. Shepardson, its vice-president and curator, the Boston Numismatic Society has suffered a great loss.

"Respected especially for his laboriously acquired and authoritative knowledge of early American coins and cherished for his unfailing geniality by the members of the Society, his passing will leave in their ranks a place hard to fill.

"His services to the Society consisted not only of having held the office of vice-president and curator but, more important indeed, of having been for many years a most loyal member, an assiduous attendant at meetings and an ardent worker at all times for the best interests of the Society.

"As a testimonial of their sorrow at this loss of a universally esteemed comrade the members present at the meeting of April 27th voted that this expression of their sentiments be spread upon the records of the Boston Numismatic Society and a copy be sent by the secretary to the family of the deceased as a token of the regard in which he was held by all the members."

**BENJAMIN H. COLLINS**, a long-time collector and dealer and member of the American Numismatic Association, died in the Washington Sanitarium, Takoma Park, D. C., on April 29, in his 83d year. His death was due to the infirmities of age and as the result of a fall in February, 1926, when he suffered a fracture of the hip. The funeral took place from Gawler's funeral parlors, 1730 Pennsylvania Avenue N. W., Washington, D. C., on May 2. He is survived by a son, W. Hayden Collins, of Washington, D. C.

Mr. Collins was a native of Independence, Mo., and went to Washington shortly after being honorably discharged from the Union Army. For several years he was employed in the United States Treasury Department, where he became chief of the tobacco division of the Bureau of Internal Revenue. About 1894 he opened a coin and curio store at Seventeenth and H streets, which he conducted until a year and a half ago. In the curio branch of his business he numbered among his patrons for thirty years many of the prominent men and women of Washington's official and social life.

He was a member of Burnside Post, Grand Army of the Republic. During the Civil War he served as a scout under General Sheridan.

The passing of Mr. Collins removes another of the diminishing group of old-time dealers and collectors and will be regretted by all who knew him. As a dealer he was almost unknown to the younger generation of collectors. He had been inactive in coins for a number of years, although he always had some good things to offer to those who called on him. Antique jewelry, gems and curios engaged most of his time in late years. When his health began to fail a few years ago he announced that he was disposing of his stock of coins, except his very desirable set of large cents, which, he said, would go, on his death, to his son.

On account of his age Mr. Collins was not accustomed to attend A. N. A. conventions. He was present at the New York convention in 1910, and when the convention was held in Washington in 1926 he was slowly recovering from the fracture of his hip a few months before. A number of A. N. A. members, however, took occasion to call on him and found him the same genial and companionable Collins of old.

**LEON FULDAUER**—I regret to announce that Leon Fuldauer, coin dealer, of Brussels, and member of the A. N. A., formerly of Amsterdam, passed away on April 6th after a stroke of paralysis.

During my correspondence and dealings with him it became clear to me that he was gifted with an amiable disposition and a kindly, sympathetic

personality. Through his communications shone the luster of a scholarly mind, a modest, retiring nature and an elegant, refined character. I grew very fond of him and eagerly looked forward to his letters and his consignments, which always brought a "thrill" of the kind experienced only by the ardent collector. Accordingly, to me, his death comes as a distinct personal loss; as the departure of a faithful, reliable and trustworthy friend, whose place cannot be easily filled.

The business will be continued under the same name by Mr. A. Delmonte, his successor.

CHARLES N. SCHMALL.

#### CALL FOR NOMINATION OF OFFICERS.

Article 4, Section 2 of our By-Laws, reads as follows:

"At least sixty days prior to a Convention the Chairman of the Board of Governors shall issue a call in the Official Paper for nominations for officers. Nominations for any officers may be made by any member or by a branch society. Such nominations shall be sent to the General Secretary, who shall, immediately upon receipt of same, notify the members so nominated, and those who have not declined shall be considered as having accepted the nominations. A Committee on Nominations, consisting of three, shall be appointed by the President whose duty it shall be to see that the nominations for officers are made."

All members of the American Numismatic Association are hereby notified that nominations for officers to be elected at the Rochester, N. Y., Convention of 1928 are now in order, and all such nominations shall be sent to the General Secretary, Mr. Harry T. Wilson, 535 N. Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

HARRY W. RAPP,

Chairman Board of Governors.

Detroit, Mich., May 10, 1928.

#### DONATION TO THE A. N. A. LIBRARY BY THE KING OF ITALY.

Our Honorary Member, His Majesty Victor Emanuel III, King of Italy, through the Italian Ambassador, His Excellency G. de Martino of Washington, D. C., has just donated to the A. N. A. the latest installment of his monumental de luxe work on Italian coins. This is Volume X of the Corpus Nummorum Italicorum and covers Part 2 of the coins of the province of Emilia, the coinages of Bologna, and Ferrara, Ravenna and Rimini.

In conformity with the other volumes of this series, the volume is a magnificent leather-bound book printed on heavy paper and profusely illustrated with 48 plates. It forms a very valuable addition to our Library and the Association is indeed fortunate in having the interest of our royal benefactor and honorary member.

Suitable letters of acknowledgment have been addressed to the Italian Ambassador and to His Royal Majesty.

#### COMMITTEE ON CONVENTION PAPERS APPOINTED.

I have this day appointed the following-named as members of the Committee on Papers to be read at the annual convention of the A. N. A. to be held at Rochester, N. Y., August 18 to 23, 1928: Moritz Wormser, New York, N. Y., chairman; George A. Pipes, Portland, Ore.; E. M. White, Davenport, Iowa; F. C. C. Boyd, New York City; Dr. E. F. Slater, Quantico, Va.

Yours respectfully,

CHARLES MARKUS,

President A. N. A.

Davenport, Iowa, May 12, 1928.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY H. H. YAWGER.

Harry H. Yawger, of Indiana, Pa., former President of the A. N. A., desires to announce that, owing to visits at intervals to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md., with more or less extended stays in the latter city, he has been compelled to neglect a great deal of his correspondence for some time, much to his regret. This will explain why a number of letters to him have not been answered.



### THE 1928 CONVENTION OF THE A. N. A.

As announced last month, the date of the 1928 convention of the A. N. A. has been set for August 18 to 23. The convention will be held in Rochester, N. Y. This will be the third A. N. A. convention to be held in that city, the two former having been in 1912 and 1917. Both were well attended and both were held before the more or less elaborate series of entertainment features that have marked recent conventions was inaugurated.

Convention headquarters will be at the Seneca Hotel and the public exhibit of coins and the business sessions of the convention will also be held there. In many respects the arrangement of having all convention activities under one roof is desirable, although it has been demonstrated that a public exhibit of coins at a hotel does not attract as many visitors as when held in a public institution.

The success of an A. N. A. convention is measured largely by the attendance and the number and interest of the exhibits. The attendance at these annual meetings should be larger than it is. While the membership has increased considerably in the last six or seven years, the average attendance has not been larger than when our membership was much smaller. It should not be necessary to urge members to attend conventions. Attendance should be regarded as an opportunity or privilege by those sincerely interested in numismatics.

The public exhibit of coins at a convention offers an opportunity to display some of the members' choice specimens or the specialty in which they take so much pride. An appeal is made to those who expect to attend to take along an exhibit. Ample space will be provided in cases for individual exhibits.

The local committee of the Rochester Numismatic Association is hard at work arranging for the convention. They have provided several entertainment features for the visitors, as is shown in the following program which has been arranged by them:

#### Saturday, August 18.

Morning and Afternoon—Registration with the General Secretary at headquarters, Seneca Hotel.

Evening—Smoker at Seneca Hotel, Dr. George P. French, host.

#### Sunday, August 19.

Morning—Attendance at church. Fine representative churches within ten minutes of the hotel.

Afternoon—Auto rides through Rochester parks. R. N. A. Entertainment Committee.

Evening—Broadcast talk on "Coins" by WHAM.

#### Monday, August 20.

Morning—Business session. Welcome by Mayor or representative.

Afternoon—Visit to Kodak Park, Eastman Kodak plant. Convention photograph.

Evening—Theater party, Eastman Theater.

#### Tuesday, August 21.

Morning—Business session.

Afternoon—Visit to the Bausch & Lomb plant, greatest lens and optical plant in America.

Evening—Auction sale of coins.

#### Wednesday, August 22.

Morning—Business session.

Afternoon—Visit to the museums, Rochester Municipal Museum, R. N. A. Coin Room; Memorial Art Gallery. Special cars on Subway.

Evening—Banquet.

#### Thursday, August 23.

Morning—Business session.

Afternoon—Special.

### CONVENTION COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

President Markus announces the appointment of the following committees for the Rochester Convention of the A. N. A., August 18 to 23:

Committee on Nominations—Elmer S. Sears, Swansea, Mass., chairman; George J. Bauer, Rochester, N. Y.; A. A. Grinnell, Detroit, Mich.

Committee on Credentials—Harry T. Wilson, Chicago, Ill., chairman; A. H. Plumb, Rochester, N. Y.; George H. Blake, Jersey City, N. J.

Committee on Resolutions—George A. Gillette, Rochester, N. Y., chairman; Thomas S. Miller, Dongan Hills, N. Y.; R. E. Davis, Chicago, Ill.; George S. Godard, Hartford, Conn.; Carl Wurtzbach, Lee, Mass.

Committee on Elections—L. A. Renaud, Montreal, Canada, chairman; Edward T. Newell, New York City; F. T. Joers, Cleveland, Ohio; H. A. Sternberg, Dundee, Ill.; Julius Guttag, New Rochelle, N. Y.

### THE ROCHESTER CONVENTION.

To the Members of the A. N. A.:

The officers of your Association are earnestly hoping and working for a successful convention August 18th to 23d. A successful convention can only be held providing the members show sufficient interest to attend. Your officers need your support and encouragement to help make the Association grow. It is regrettable that less than ten per cent. of our membership attend our conventions, as these meetings are always a source of information, as well as pleasure, and it is hoped that this year you will plan to be with us in Rochester. May we count on YOU?

HARRY W. RAPP,

Chairman Board of Governors.

Detroit, Mich., May 10, 1928.

Development of the monetary system of the representative nations of the world was the subject of an address by Foster Lardner, a member of the A. N. A., before the members and guests of the Rhode Island Historical Association at the Providence Public Library on May 10.

George C. Arnold, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Arnold, of Providence, R. I., has resigned his post in the United States Consular Service at Bucharest, Rumania, to accept a position as foreign representative in Italy, with headquarters at Milan, for the Indian Motorcycle Company, of Springfield, Mass. Mr. Arnold will feel quite at home in his new connection, as he served in the Consular Service at Milan during 1921 and 1922.

The week of April 30 to May 5, Farran Zerbe had his exhibit of Money of the World on view at the Broad Street National Bank of Trenton, N. J.

### COINAGE FOR APRIL, 1928.

Following is the number of pieces of the different denominations coined at the mints of the United States during April, 1928, as officially reported by the Bureau of the Mint, Washington, D. C.:

Gold—Double Eagles, 1,875,000.

Silver—Standard Dollars, 360,649; Dimes, 3,810,000.

Nickel—Five Cents, 4,732,000.

Bronze—One Cent, 8,550,000.

Coinage other than United States:

Nicaragua—Nickel, 100,000.

### "NEW STYLES IN PAPER MONEY."

The May issue of World's Work contains an article entitled "New Styles in Paper Money." It describes the new issues, explains the changes being made in the type of paper and gives some interesting comments on counterfeiting.



# Meetings of Numismatic Societies and Clubs.

## DIRECTORY.

**American Numismatic Association**—Meets annually in convention. Harry T. Wilson, Secretary, 535 N. Sawyer Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

**American Numismatic Society, New York City**—Meets four times annually at its building, Broadway at 156th Street. Sydney P. Noe, Secretary.

**Antiquarian and Numismatic Society of Montreal**—Meets monthly at Chateau de Ramezay. Miss K. M. Cooper, Corresponding Secretary.

**Boston Numismatic Society, Boston, Mass.**—Meets monthly. Shepard Pond, Secretary, 258 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

**Buffalo Numismatic Association, Buffalo, N. Y.**—Meets at Central Y. M. C. A. C. E. Noland, Secretary, 721 Ashland Ave., Buffalo, N. Y.

**Chicago Coin Club, Chicago, Ill.**—Meets first Wednesday of each month. Elmer Lawless, Secretary, 2224 S. Spalding Ave., Chicago, Ill.

**Detroit Coin Club, Detroit, Mich.**—Meets first and third Thursdays at 208 Dime Bank Building. Harry W. Rapp, Secretary, 1515 Woodward Ave., Detroit, Mich.

**Greenville Numismatic Society, Greenville, S. C.**—Charles H. Garrison, Secretary, Box 351, Greenville, S. C.

**Long Island Numismatic Association, Brooklyn, N. Y.**—Harold Schmidt, Secretary, 109-32 112th St., Richmond Hill, N. Y.

**New York Numismatic Club, New York City**—Meets second Friday of each month. Thomas S. Miller, Secretary, 24 Broad St., New York City.

**Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, San Francisco, Cal.**—Meets last Wednesday of each month. Harvey L. Hansen, Secretary, 123 Greenbank Avenue, Piedmont, Cal.

**Rochester Numismatic Association, Rochester, N. Y.**—Meets first and third Tuesday at Municipal Museum. Paul M. Lange, Secretary, 817 Flower City Park, Rochester, N. Y.

**St. Louis Numismatic Society, St. Louis, Mo.**—Meets monthly at Washington University. T. E. Duncan, Secretary, Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.

**Springfield Coin Club, Springfield, Mass.**—Meets second Wednesday of each month. Wilson C. Emery, Secretary.

**The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia, Pa.**—Meets six times a year, January, February, March, April, November and December. Ernest Spofford, Secretary, 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Washington Coin Club, Washington, D. C.**—Meets second and fourth Fridays at Room 402 McGill Building. G. H. Emery, Secretary, 2232 Cathedral Avenue, Washington, D. C.

**Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Society**—Meets the first Tuesday of every month at the Carnegie Institute of Pittsburgh. A. C. Gies, Secretary, 6260 Frankstown Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

**Western Reserve Numismatic Club, Cleveland, Ohio**—Meets monthly at Cleveland Public Library. Chas. H. Fisher, Secretary, care The Ames Company, Cleveland, O.

**ROYAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—Feb. 16. Percy H. Webb, Esq., Treasurer, in the chair.

Messrs. G. F. Hayter, P. H. Stebbing and Dr. Kenneth Rogers, O.B.E., were elected Fellows of the Society.

The evening was devoted to exhibitions.

Dr. S. H. Fairbairn exhibited four medals of Necker, 1789. Two of them celebrate his final recall to office. The illiterate spelling on the smaller white-metal medal is typical of many medals of this period. The legend on the bottom reads: NECKER JOUIS DE LA GLOIRE LES HOMMES COM-ME-N-CENT A TE CONNOITRE.

Mr. L. A. Lawrence, F.S.A., exhibited two bronze coins of Carausius. (1) Barbarous, IMP CARVSVS. Lion reverse XM. (2) Overstruck on Philip.

Mr. Fredk. A. Harrison showed the crown pieces from Edward VI to George V to compare the new issue with the old.

Mr. Fredk. A. Walters, F.S.A., exhibited three bronze coins of the Emperor Otho of Alexandria and three of Antioch; also four shillings of Philip and Mary. (1) 1554, with Neapolitan and Spanish titles. (2) 1554, with English title only—rare of this date. (3) 1554, with date below busts, very rare. (4) 1555, with English title only, as usual of this date.

Mr. C. J. Bunn exhibited a bronze coin of Pescennius Niger of Caesarea Germanicus of great rarity, two naval medals and three anti-slavery medals.

Mr. H. W. Taffs exhibited, (1) a series of countermarked coins for the West Indies and for Scotch and other tokens. These are mostly countermarked on Spanish coins. (2) Foreign countermarks. (3) Fort Marlbro 2-sookoo piece. (4) Rare pattern rupee for India, Edward VII, 1901. (5) Gold ingot of South Australia. (6) Copper countermarked for West Indies, including the Barbadoes. Penny countermarked with G R surmounted by a crown.

Mr. Wm. Gilbert showed a bronze penny, 1861 (weight 40 to pound, not 48). This issue was abandoned by Treasury order early in January, 1861. (Formerly belonged to G. R. Robertson, of the Soho Mint, Birmingham.)

Mr. Henry Garside exhibited (1) British Imperial threepence dated 1893, bearing the jubilee bust of Queen Victoria on the obverse. (2) Ceylon, quarter cent, dated 1904. (3) Colombia, one and a quarter centavos, dated 1874. (4) Guatemala, quarter real, dated 1894. (5) Panama, two and a half centesimos, dated 1904. (6) Pudukota State, India, amman cash (sixteenth of an anna). This coin has no date on it. (7) Siam, twenty satangs, ten satangs, five satangs and two and a half satangs. These pieces were coined in the Mint, Birmingham, in 1898, and were withdrawn from circulation in 1900.

**ROYAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—March 15. Sir Charles Oman, M.P., LL.D., F.B.A., President, in the chair.

Messrs. L. H. Middleton and C. F. Duncan were elected Fellows of the Society.

Mr. Fredk. A. Walters, F.S.A., exhibited two groats of Edward VI, one with his own portrait and the other with that of Henry VIII.

Mr. L. L. Fletcher showed obsidional coins of Geneva, 1890, and a copper coin of King Amanullah of Afghanistan.

Dr. S. H. Fairbairn showed a medal of Le Tellier made from bullets fired on the day of Vendemiaire, 1795.

Mr. W. Gilbert showed an aureus of Lucilla, rev., Venus (Cohen 69), from the Huth and Morcom collections, and a first bronze of Drusus Senior (Cohen 8).

Mr. P. H. Webb and Mr. L. A. Lawrence showed coins of Septimius Severus and family in illustration of Mr. Mattingly's paper.

The President exhibited the fine denomination (gold, silver and bronze) of Constantius Gallus as Caesar.

Mr. Henry Garside exhibited the British Imperial silver half crown, florin, shilling and sixpence all dated 1928 and bearing on the obverse the remodelled effigy of His Majesty King George V by Sir Bertram Mackennal, and on the reverse new designs by Mr. George Kruger Gray. He also showed the Cyprus silver forty-five piastres dated 1878-1928, commemorating the jubilee of the British occupation of the island; the obverse by Sir Bertram Mackennal and the reverse by Mr. George Kruger Gray.

Mr. H. Mattingly read a paper on the "Coinage of Septimius Severus and His Family." The death of Commodus, like the death of Nero, was followed by disturbances in the empire, which led to the opening of new mints, in the types of which much of the stirring history was recorded. Pescennius Niger struck at Antioch, Septimius Severus at Alexandria and at two of the Syrian mints, perhaps Laodicea and Emisa. The progress of the civil war between them is, to some extent, reflected in the types that they struck. In the West, Albinus, after his breach with Septimius, opened a mint at Lugdunum. His earlier coinage as Caesar had been struck by permission of Septimius at Rome. Of the campaigns of Septimius in Britain there is no direct numismatic record, but it is possible that certain "barbarous" imitations of his coinage, found in Britain, are in some way or another connected with them.

**BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—Ordinary Meeting, Wednesday, March 28th, 1928, Mr. V. B. Crowther-Beynon, M.B.E., M.A., F.S.A., Vice-President, in the chair.

The Chairman announced that the Council had elected Lieut.-Colonel H. W. Morrieson as President of the Society vice Major P. W. P. Carlyon-Britton, D.L., J.P., F.S.A., resigned. The Council had also elected E. C. Carter, Esq., M.D., to be a Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the said election of Lieut.-Colonel Morrieson as President of the Society.

Presentation to the Library: By Mr. H. H. King, "The Monetary History of Ireland," Part I, by John Patrick Nolan.

Exhibitions were as follows:

By Mr. V. B. Crowther-Beynon: Three boxes of coin-weighing scales: Dutch, with maker's name, Nisting, of Amsterdam, 1657; Flemish, with maker's name elaborately written directly on the wood of the lid, Joannes Staes; small oval box of guinea weights, sliding-lid locker inside lid, stamped with name of Sharp, Stratford-on-Avon.



By Mr. Lionel L. Fletcher: Ninety-four seventeenth century tokens of County Antrim, including thirty-five of Belfast. These were in illustration of his paper.

By Major W. J. Freer: Birmingham Pitt Club Medal: obverse, head and bust of William Pitt, by Webb, and the legend "Non tibi sed Patriae"; reverse, within wreath of bay leaves, "Birmingham Pitt Club, 1814." This, a family medal, had belonged to the exhibitor's great-grandfather, Major Thomas Freer.

By Mr. Alan Garnett: A Wedgewood portrait of William Pitt, also a bronze medal of the same pattern as those adopted by the Rochdale and the Sunderland Pitt Clubs.

By the Marquess of Sligo (per Mr. H. W. Taffs): Three examples of the "family" tokens issued in tin for Westport, County Mayo. The denominations were the shilling, sixpence, and threepence. All are scarce, the shilling especially so.

By Mr. F. A. Walters: A Cork halfpenny of Edward I. This is extremely rare and, in fact, for some time only three specimens were known, but one or two other specimens have appeared.

Mr. Lionel L. Fletcher, F.R.S.A.I., read a series of notes from his revised list of the seventeenth century tokens of County Antrim and stated that there were about 85 distinctive varieties of 70 issuers, a number exceeded only by County Dublin, while Belfast had 26 issuers, this being surpassed only by Dublin (135) and Galway (32). Tokens of five issuers could now be added to those recorded in "Williamson," viz., William Thombe, of Belfast; George Cudbert, of Ballymena; James Robison and Alexander Wyly, of Ballymoney, and William Doular, of Lisburn. The first of these, however, was figured in Benn's "History of Belfast" (1877), while the last was figured in the Belfast Museum Catalogue (1913). The tokens, about half of which are dated, were issued from 1656 to 1677, 1656-7 being the chief dates of issue. The Belfast tokens of John Bush were probably among the earliest issued, and were of special interest as being struck on the French double tournois, which, in common with its moiety, the denier, circulated extensively in Ireland prior to the issue of the tokens. Of the 70 issuers, 29 described themselves as merchants, and 11 of these had a merchant's mark on their tokens. In the case of those of "Belfast, George Martin, 1666," and "Lisburn, William Andrews," the initials forming part of the merchant's mark did not tally with those of the issuer, which was doubtless due to the continued use by these merchants of their predecessor's marks. As regards other callings denoted on the tokens, there might be mentioned the postmaster's tokens of Antrim, and that of "Robert Brice, Auth." of Castlechichester, at that time the port of dispatch for the mails to Scotland, thus providing an early use of the term in the sense of "Port Authority." A Lisburn issuer also described himself as "Addam Leathes, Gent.", a designation appearing on no other Irish token. Five issuers became sovereigns of Belfast, and two became mayors of Carrickfergus, while three attained the dignity of high sheriff, these among other facts supporting Mr. Benn's contention that the issuers of the tokens were the most important traders. The most notable of these was George Macartney, the ablest man of his time in Belfast, who repeatedly filled the office of sovereign, became high sheriff of County Antrim, and, among many other activities, held the rank of Captain of Horse. Others who attained the office of sovereign were his son-in-law, William Lockart, one of the joint issuers of the rare heart-shaped token; Hugh Eccles, who became high sheriff of County Down; George Martin; and Hugh Duok, the latter a very active and prominent man, who is said to have been unable to write, and whose mark, "H. D." conjoined, appeared on all documents, including his will. John Corry, whose token is dated 1656, is stated to have ceased all connection with Belfast in that year, and afterwards became high sheriff of County Fermanagh. William Smith is noted as being one of the wealthiest merchants of his day, while James, John, and Michael Bigger, the precursors of a well-known Belfast family, were three brothers who had migrated from Scotland about 1640.

The token of "Antrim, Robert Young," had the unique device of a dyer's tongs, while the old wooden plough appeared on that of Magheramorne. The Toome token, with its alliterative legend of "For ferry, forge and fish," showed a rowing-boat, and the token of "Lisburn, Peers" was noteworthy for its view of the Parish Church, which, in 1662, was made the Cathedral for the United Dioceses of Down and Connor.

A striking example of the uncertain orthography of the time was shown by the fact that all the five issuers of Ballymena spelled that name differently, and that Ballymoney was spelled in four different ways for its five issuers.

Nothing appeared to be now known of the Carrickfergus tokens of William Stubbs and John Davadys, which were referred to by MacSkimin as among those discovered, and about which information would be gladly welcomed, as also with regard to that of "Lisburn, Wrightson," a specimen of which was formerly in the possession of Dean Stannus, of Lisburn.

**NEW YORK NUMISMATIC CLUB**—Regular meeting of the New York Numismatic Club held on Friday evening, April 13th, 1928, at 2 Park Avenue (26th floor), New York City, Mr. George H. Blake presiding. Present: Messrs. Newell, Swanson, Robertson, Gutttag, Marx, Wyman, Blake, Kusterer, Montgomery, Valentine, Boyd, Wood and Smith. In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. Howland Wood acted as Secretary pro tem.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Elliott Smith: Albania, 100 francs, 1926; Austria, 100 coroniae, 1848-1908, and 100 coroniae, 1911; China dollar in silver and one in gold of Yuan Shi Kai and gold dollar of Hsu Shi Chang; Cuba, 20 pesos gold, 1915; Egypt, £5 gold, 1922; England, sets of gold and silver issues of 1902 and 1911 and large and small gold medals issued in 1902 for the coronation of Edward VII and Alexandra; Italy, 4 gold 100-lire pieces of Emmanuel III; Montenegro, 100 leva of 1910, with portrait of Nicholas; Persia, 10 tomans, and Roumania, 50-lei commemorative coin of 1866-1906.

Mr. L. Kusterer: Pattern coins for Liberia: Three types each of 25c. and 50c. of 1889, struck in copper, nickel and aluminum, with thick and thin planchets; 2c. and 1c. pieces dated 1847, 1866 and 1868, struck in copper, and 1c. of 1890.

Mr. J. Gutttag: A large assortment of foreign encased postage stamps from 15 countries.

Mr. Howland Wood: 21 portrait silver coins of Europe.

Mr. J. Marx: \$50 U. S., 1851; 20,000 reis, Brazil, 1725; Bavaria, 5 ducats, 1640; England, 5 guineas and 2 guineas of Queen Anne, 1705 and 1709; broad of Oliver Cromwell, 1656; Hard Time ducat of Vienna, 1529; \$2.50 Bechtler Carolina gold; Mormon \$5, 1849; restrike of Baldwin \$10.

Mr. Wyman gave an instructive talk on nickel coinage and brought out the fact that only two heads appeared on nickel coins prior to 1900, viz., Victoria of Great Britain and Leopold of Belgium. He also discussed the use of pure nickel and copper-nickel and the fairly general use of nickel as a substitute for silver in those countries where there was a depreciated currency.

The Executive Committee recommended as subject for the May meeting, "A Numismatic Questionnaire," a list of questions to be drawn up by a committee and each one present to write down answers to the best of their ability, the purpose being to offer an instructive and entertaining evening. Carried. Mr. Elliott Smith offered a prize of a \$10 gold piece to the winner. A committee to draw up the questions and act as judges was appointed and approved, consisting of Messrs. Newell, Wood and Robertson, which three would be eliminated from the contest. A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Smith for donating the prize.

Mr. Swanson read a card from Mr. Wormser, sending his greetings from the Canal Zone.

Mr. J. Marx told how he began collecting and spoke of the friendliness and geniality of numismatists in general.

Adjourned 10 P. M.

**DETROIT COIN CLUB**—The ninety-sixth meeting of the Detroit Coin Club was held at 208 Dime Bank Building on Thursday evening, April 19, 1928. Members present: Messrs. Allen, Ball, Binder, Byerly, Camp, Capling, Dworkowski, Green, Grinnell, Hack, Hanna, Helfrich, Hoare, Hudson, Huffsmith, Hughes, Hutchinson, Muhleman, Powell, Rapp, Stehfest and Temple. Meeting was in charge of President Grinnell.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Camp: 15 Michigan broken-bank bills not listed by Wismer.

Mr. Dworkowski: Collection of Polish coins and medals.

Mr. Rapp: Collection of ten different Lindbergh medals.

Mr. Temple: Very fine lot of Mexican revolutionary coins.



Committee reported favorably on application of Mr. Harry L. Byerly, and on motion he was duly elected to membership.

On motion bill for flowers amounting to \$2 was ordered paid.

Committee appointed to go over the club's collection of coins and select those that should be disposed of reported and were discharged.

Committee on arrangements for the 100th meeting reported, and after considerable discussion it was decided to have a regular dinner on June 21st, to be held at the Elks' Club.

The Secretary gave members information which it was believed would help them in some of their future purchases of coins.

Donation of a very fine Masonic medal commemorating the laying of the cornerstone of the new Detroit Masonic Temple was made to the club by Mr. Stehfest.

Refreshments furnished by Mr. Camp were very much appreciated by all and helped to make this one of the most enthusiastic meetings of the year.

Meeting adjourned, after which a very extensive auction was held.

**DETROIT COIN CLUB**—The ninety-seventh meeting of the Detroit Coin Club was held at 208 Dime Bank Building on Thursday evening, May 2, 1928. Members present were: Messrs. Allen, Ball, Binder, Brisley, Byerly, Camp, Dworkowski, Grinnell, Hack, Helfrich, Hoare, Hudson, Hutchinson, Livingstone, Noyes, Rapp, Stehfest, Temple and Watson. Visitor, Mr. Wivo. Meeting was opened by President Grinnell.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Dworkowski: Polish bracteates.

Mr. Grinnell: \$20 brown back Clearfield, Pa., National Bank note, Tillman & Morgan.

Mr. Brisley: 1870 \$2 Dominion of Canada note.

Mr. Watson: Proof set in original case of the new English crown to three-penny piece.

A communication from Mr. Julius Guttag was read and placed on file.

A communication from Mr. F. H. Hitchcock was received and the Secretary instructed to make reply.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to get further information with reference to the Hawaii commemorative half dollar.

Committee on arrangements for our one hundredth meeting reported everything progressing favorably.

Meeting adjourned.

A short auction was held, with Mr. Dworkowski acting as auctioneer.

**WESTERN RESERVE NUMISMATIC CLUB**—The eighty-ninth regular meeting of the Western Reserve Numismatic Club was held in the clubrooms in the basement of the Public Library at Cleveland, Ohio, on the evening of April 11, 1928. Roll call found the following members present: Messrs. Freeman, Walker, Joers, Cooley, Gregg, Claff, Bickford, Molnar, Fisher, Worden, Booth and Spencer. Visitors present were Messrs. Dorraine and Leutz. Vice-President Walker presided.

Mr. Molnar conveyed to the club the suggestion of the Western Pennsylvania Numismatic Club that a joint meeting should be held by the two clubs. This was approved by many favorable comments and upon motion duly made and seconded the acting president appointed as a committee to arrange for same, Messrs. Molnar, Bickford and Freeman.

Mr. Spencer then favored the club with a very interesting paper on "The Coins of the Caesars," illustrated by a very fine exhibit of ancient coins.

The meeting was then turned over to the auctioneer and a very fine auction of seventy lots of choice coins and medals was held.

The meeting adjourned at 9.30.

**CHICAGO COIN CLUB**—The 111th meeting of the Chicago Coin Club was held at the Hotel Brevoort, May 2. Members present were Messrs. Unseitig, Collier, Vogel, Strubinger, Wendt, Miller, Budvitis, Brown, Markus, Gammell, Sternberg, Jackson, Koenker, Wittenborn, Thornburgh, Carlsen, Josephson, Cederlund, Grant, Kopicki, Betz, Blomquist, Wilson, Glunz, Field, Backe, Rackus, Lawless, Davis, Kaefer, Ciszewski, and Mygat. Present as a visitor was John Backe, Jr. The meeting was called to order by President Rackus.

Applications of Mr. August J. Lorenz and Wm. F. Ross were read and they were elected to membership.

Priced catalogues of the St. Louis Stamp and Coin Co. received.

Charles Markus, President of the A. N. A., and a member of the Chicago Coin Club, made it his business to stay in the city for our meeting so as to meet the new members of our club. He also gave a very interesting talk on the coming convention, which is to be held in Rochester, and asked all the members to be present. His argument was good, figuring the average attendance of the Chicago Coin Club, which is 32 present each month for the year.

President Rackus spoke upon his exhibit of stone axes, which were used as a medium of exchange.

Mr. Cederlund spoke upon his exhibit of counterstamped coins.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Markus—Four very fine slugs, two varieties of the Panama \$50, \$20 wire edge, and \$10 period varieties, gold brick assays, silver-dollar muling, O mint and P mint; thick and thin planchet Norse Centennial, spade guinea, siege piece of Breda and set of Iceland.

Mr. Backe—Complete set of commemorative half dollars.

Mr. Vogel—Strip of three encased stamps.

Mr. Strubinger—1838 \$2.50 gold, 1888 \$3 gold.

Mr. Davis—15c Grant and Sherman, red back; same, green back; Rhode Island, 1780, \$8 and \$20.

Mr. Budvitis—One-billion-mark piece, ½ crown, 1719, Munster, the chapter, sede vacant.

Mr. Cederlund—St. Bartholomew, Swedish colony in West Indies, U. S. cent, 1803, Newcomb 18, obverse 12, reverse, counterstamp on the obverse with a peculiar shaped crown (Wood, No. 43).

President Rackus—Several varieties of stone axes and one billion-mark piece.

Mr. Brown—New issues of Angola, 50c., nickel; Brazil, 1000 reis, bronze-aluminum; Cameroon, 50 centimes; Lebanon, 5 P.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned for the usual discussion and swap.

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**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—The meeting came to order at 8.10 P. M. Tuesday, May 1, 1928, with President Marlier in the chair. Members present were Messrs. Marlier, Kraft, Locker, Gaede, Roberts, Smith, Darlington, Manning and Gies.

A check for \$50 was received from Mr. Clapp for the Medal fund.

There was a motion made for a banquet to be held on June 14 for the fiftieth anniversary of the W. P. N. S.

The following exhibits were made:

Mr. Manning: Half Dollars, 1794, 1813, 1817 over 13, 1830 and 1877 CC; an 1855 silver dollar.

Mr. Marlier: Forty ancient silver Greek and Roman coins.

Mr. Gies: 1801 silver dollar; U. S. cents of 1801, 1802, and 1807; half cents of 1795, 1806 small 6 with stems and 1808.

A catalogue was received from Paul M. Lang, of Rochester, N. Y.

The meeting adjourned at 9.50, to meet the first Tuesday in June.

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**BUFFALO NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION**—The semi-monthly meeting of the Buffalo Numismatic Association was held at the Central Y. M. C. A. Monday, April 9, 1928, at 8 P. M. The following members were present: Messrs. Lloyd, Morgan, Becker, Heintz, Schmall, Gilroy, Noland and Schunke. Visitors: Mr. A. Bixby and Mr. Hogenmiller.

Mr. Lloyd, home from college for the Easter vacation, exhibited the following interesting pieces:

Two \$1 1899 Certificates of consecutive number, one bearing the signature of Teehee and Burke and the other that of Elliott and Burke. Three Treasury Notes, one \$5 of 1899, one \$1 of 1896 and one \$1 of 1891. These are prized highly. One 1862 \$1 first greenback, which is still crisp. Set of Federal Reserve Bank notes, of which one was of \$1 denomination, of Boston and New York, signatures of Elliott and Burke; \$1 and \$2 notes of Cleveland, with signatures of Teehee and Burke.

The following were exhibited by Mr. Bixby: English silver penny; two



Ancient Japanese coins of gold and silver; a few very old English medals, of which two were of Prince Albert and one of Prince Alfred. The latter prince was born August 26, 1819, and married February 10, 1840.

Mr. Gilroy's exhibit was as follows: 1800 half dime with die broken under date; 1805 dime; 1809 (over 06) uncirculated half cent.

On motion the meeting was adjourned.

**PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—The 153rd meeting of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society was called to order by Vice-President Brandon at 8 P. M. April 25, 1928, at the Y. M. C. A., San Francisco. In the absence of the secretary, Louis Goodman acted as secretary pro tem. The following members were present: Messrs. Brandon, Hertzberg, Fellows, Smoots, Jacobson, Hill, Vogel, Goldsmith, Wernstrom, Kraft, Wilson, Mohr, Goodman, Muller, Simpson, Schubert, Rausch and Landecker.

A lecture was delivered by Mr. Goodman on "The Life of Johan Hus and the Period During the Reformation." The lecture was illustrated by a medal struck in silver during the seventeenth century.

Mr. Wernstrom exhibited a Lindbergh medal in bronze. Mr. Goodman exhibited a 1796 U. S. \$5 gold, 1805 dime and 15 rupees, German East Africa, all in extremely fine condition.

An auction of coins and fractional currency ended a very successful meeting, which adjourned at 10.30 P. M.

**ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION**—Meeting held on April 3d, 1928, at the Municipal Museum, President Dr. Arthur C. Parker in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Woodbury, Plumb, Chapin, Amberg, Horner, Lange, Reddick, Dr. Parker, Lindboe, Akely, Bauer, Sloan, Kolb, Sunday and Dr. French.

Mr. Lindboe presented a convention medal for the cabinet.

The meeting discussed convention matters exclusively. Hotel Seneca was selected as headquarters, convention to be August 18th to 23d, 1928.

An auction closed the meeting.

**ROCHESTER NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION**—Meeting held on April 17th, 1928, at the Municipal Museum, President Dr. Arthur C. Parker in the chair. Members present: Messrs. Woodbury, Dr. Peake, Plumb, Dr. Parker, Lindboe, Lange, Reddick, Sloan, Sunday, Kuehne, Amberg and Dr. French.

Under new business a proposition to create a museum trusteeship of our collection was introduced and discussed. On motion of Mr. Woodbury, seconded by Mr. Amberg, it was decided to mail a copy of this proposal to all members and summon them to appear at the first meeting in June to vote on it.

Convention matters held the attention of the members for the rest of the evening. The usual auction took place, some fine pieces changing hands.

**BOSTON NUMISMATIC SOCIETY**—The Society met and dined at the Boston City Club, Friday, April 27, 1928. Present: President Gifford in the chair, also Messrs. Boyle, Willey, Comstock, F. O. Brown, Wheeler, Davis, C. W. Morse, C. H. Stearns and Pond.

The president announced the death on April 20th of Vice-President and Curator Edward E. Shepardson and read an article from the Boston Evening Transcript of April 23rd on his life and activities. A set of resolutions was presented and adopted on the Society's loss and a copy ordered sent to the family of the late Mr. Shepardson.

Mr. Russell Burrage, of Boston, was elected to membership in the Society.

Exhibits were as follows:

Mr. Boyle: U. S. half cent, 1796; Massachusetts Oak Tree twopence; Norris, Grieg and Norris, \$5 gold, 1849, with plain edge; England, Commonwealth shilling, 1654; "Boston Watch and Police" six-pointed brass star badge. (Previous to 1854 this badge was worn by the Boston police. In 1854 the Boston Watch and Police ceased to exist, the present Boston police coming into existence, October 23, 1854 and adopting a silver badge.)

Mr. F. O. Brown: Aluminum Bryan dime (50 mm.), unlisted; obverse, "Free Coinage, One Dime, 1896"; reverse, "Patent Pending, Fred. H. Tibbetts, Columbus, O."; also bronze medal commemorating Battle and Massa-

cre of Wyoming, July 3, 1778; obverse showing scene of massacre; reverse, memorial shaft and dates, 1778-1878.

Mr. Davis: G. A. R. blue silk badge, Post No. 3, Dep't. of the Potomac, 26th National Encampment, Washington, D. C., 1892; also medal commemorating the 100th year of establishment of the United States Capitol in the District of Columbia; obverse, conjoined busts of John Adams and William McKinley; reverse, views of the Capitol in 1800 and in 1900.

Mr. C. W. Morse: State of Massachusetts Bay £10 note, dated Dec. 1, 1777.

Mr. Comstock: Large bronze medal (88 mm.) to commemorate the defense of Fort Sumter; obverse, head of Robert Anderson, 1861; reverse, Federal soldier raising fallen flag on parapet.

Mr. Pond: Silver medal of Napoleon Bonaparte, First Consul of the French Republic, struck on the reestablishment of a state religion in France, 1802; also, silver medal on the death, July 22, 1832, of the Duke of Reichstadt, son of Napoleon I.

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**SPRINGFIELD COIN CLUB**—The 168th regular meeting of the Springfield Coin Club was held at the Cabot Trust Company, at Chicopee, Mass. Meeting was opened by President Parsons at 7.45 P. M. with nine members present: Messrs. Oliver, Kohler, Bigelow, Morse, Parsons, Drowne, Pond and Emery.

Treasurer's report accepted as read.

Mr. Morse gave a talk on an exhibition given by Farran Zerbe in one of the Boston banks.

Mr. Oliver exhibited a collection of copper tokens, etc.

Mr. Morse exhibited Napoleon medals, one of them being twelve-sided; also a New York Daily Tribune of 1860.

Mr. Pond showed a collection which probably will be sold at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30 P. M.

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### THE DOLLAR SIGN.

The California Monthly (publication of University of California Alumni Association), April 1928, quotes as follows:

"The American dollar sign, popularly supposed to be derived from the letters U and S, is, instead, a lineal descendant of the Spanish abbreviation "ps." for "pesos," according to Dr. Florian Cajori, professor of the history of mathematics at the University of California. Dr. Cajori, who spent many years of research work on the question, is regarded as having definitely established the truth of his theory.

"After examining hundreds of early colonial and Mexican manuscripts, Dr. Cajori found all of the theories which have previously attempted to account for the dollar symbol unsound. Manuscripts were examined which had been secured from Mexico City, from New Orleans, from travelers on the Mississippi River and from colonial writers in New York. The manuscript resources of libraries in Washington, Chicago, Madison, St. Louis and Philadelphia were drawn upon."

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### COTTON IN CURRENCY.

As a result of studies made by the Bureau of Standards in Washington, the new bank notes which are to be placed in circulation during the Government's next fiscal year will be made partly of cotton, according to the Cotton Textile Bulletin, published by The Association of Cotton Textile Merchants of New York.

"The Treasury Department has accepted a type of paper developed by the Bureau of Standards as the standard currency paper which has high fibre strength as its distinctive feature. Its fibres are not impaired by the printing and it has no grain. Its folding strength in the two principal directions is more than 5,000 double folds. The investigation was begun when it was found that the life of dollar bills, which constitute the greater part of the paper currency, decreased continually until in 1924 it averaged six months. Prior to that, the average useful life of a bill was 20 months."



### PLAQUES ISSUED BY THE POLISH MINT.

The Government Mint at Warsaw, Poland, has recently struck a bronze plaque of the painting of Notre Dame de Czestochowa, which is reproduced here.

The painting of Notre Dame de Czestochowa was reported from the Orient in 1379 by Prince Ladislas Opolski. The legend says it was painted by St. Luke. The Polish people have a special cult about this painting, which is considered a national relic. Every year the majority of Polish pilgrims proceed to Czestochowa not only from Poland but from all over the world.



St. Paul's Convent, to which a chapel is connected in which the miraculous painting is preserved, is located in an old fortification which in Polish history has played a role of importance. During 1655, when the country was invaded by the Swedes, the Czestochowa fortress was protected through the grace of the Madonna and the patriotism and bravery of the Father Superior, Augustine Kordecki. The convent contains a very rich library, with manuscripts from the fifteenth century, which are unique, and a treasury containing a number of objects of value connected with Poland's history. (See *THE NUMISMATIST*, September, 1923, page 402.)

Another plaque issued by the Mint is from the painting of Notre Dame O'strabrama. This painting is at Wilna, one of the oldest cities in Poland. J. deL.

### THE COUNTERFEIT DANISH COINS.

Counterfeits are reported to be in larger circulation than was at first anticipated. Of late about 20 to 25 spurious one and two kronor coins have been sent to the police by banks and other institutions. The police believe thousands of spurious coins are in circulation. The recent discovery of an employee in the mint who was a counterfeiter however, does not account for the number of these coins in circulation.—Free translation by J. deL.

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| 25c. Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, fair .....               | .20   |
| 25c. Macon Savings Bank, Oct. 15, 1863, fair .....               | .20   |
| 50c. Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, fair .....               | .20   |
| 50c. Macon Savings Bank, Oct. 15, 1863, g. ....                  | .40   |
| 75c. Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, g. ....                  | .50   |
| \$3 Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, fair .....                | .30   |
| \$4 Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, g. ....                   | 1.00  |
| \$5 Macon Savings Bank, Mar. 16, 1863, g. ....                   | 1.00  |
| \$3 Macon & Brunswick Rail Road, Feb. 1, 1867, uns., unc. ....   | 1.50  |
| 50c. Manufacturers' Bank, Mar. 2, 1863, g. ....                  | .50   |
| 50c. Manufacturers' Bank, Aug. 5, 1862, fair .....               | .50   |
| \$1 Manufacturers' Bank, C., steamboat, f. ....                  | 1.00  |
| \$1 Manufacturers' Bank, C., Ceres seated, g. ....               | .75   |
| \$1 Manufacturers' Bank, Mar. 5, 1864, g. ....                   | .75   |
| \$2 Manufacturers' Bank, Background green cycloidal, f. ....     | 1.00  |
| \$2 Manufacturers' Bank, TWO in red, f. ....                     | 1.50  |
| \$3 Manufacturers' Bank, THREE in red, p. ....                   | .30   |
| \$4 Manufacturers' Bank, Mar. 5, 1864, type-set .....            | .75   |
| \$4 Manufacturers' Bank, Mar. 5, 1864, type-set, different ..... | .75   |
| \$5 Manufacturers' Bank, Background green cycloidal, f. ....     | 1.00  |
| \$5 Manufacturers' Bank, FIVE in red .....                       | 1.50  |
| \$20 Manufacturers' Bank, Background green cycloidal, unc. ....  | 2.00  |
| \$20 Manufacturers' Bank, XX in red, f. ....                     | 1.50  |
| \$1 Monroe Rail Road & Banking Co., d. ....                      | .30   |
| \$2 Monroe Rail Road & Banking Co., d. ....                      | .30   |
| \$5 Monroe Rail Road & Banking Co., d. ....                      | .30   |
| \$5 Ocmulgee Bank, f. ....                                       | .75   |
| \$10 Ocmulgee Bank, f. ....                                      | .75   |
| \$20 Ocmulgee Bank, f. ....                                      | .75   |

### MILLEDGEVILLE.

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| \$5 Bank of Morgan, FIVE in red, unc. .... | 1.00 |
| \$10 Bank of Morgan, TEN in red, f. ....   | 1.00 |

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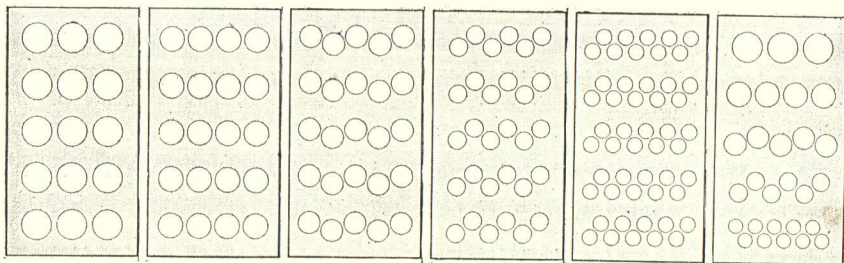
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